



**Life Group Discussion Guide**  
**“From Compassion to Calling” – Matthew 9:27-10:1**  
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**Main thought:**

When we receive Jesus’ compassion, we are called to share His mission. This involves seeing people as He sees them, praying for His harvest, and stepping forward in obedience as workers empowered by His authority.

**Ice-Breaker**

- If you could have an unlimited supply of something (except money), what would it be?

**Questions**

1. What stood out to you from Matthew 9:27-10:1?
2. Why do you think Jesus would tell the two blind men not to tell anyone what had happened? (9:30)
3. Even though two blind men experienced Jesus’ grace, they immediately disobeyed Him. (9:30–31)
  - a. Why is it important to remember that faith and holiness grow over time?
  - b. What caution(s) should we keep in mind when thinking about this?
4. Matthew shows that there is no neutral ground with Jesus. (9:33–34)
  - a. In what ways do people today try to take a “middle ground” position on Jesus?
  - b. How would you explain to someone that there’s no middle ground?
5. Verse 36 says Jesus saw the crowds and had compassion because they were “harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd”.
  - a. Who in your life is difficult to view with compassion and why?
  - b. What would change if you saw them the way Jesus does?
6. Jesus says that the “harvest is plentiful but the workers are few”. (9:37-38)
  - a. Discuss your reaction to these verses.
  - b. Why is His first instruction to pray?
7. Jesus tells the disciples to pray for workers, and then immediately sends *them*. (10:1)
  - a. Have you ever prayed for something and then realized God was calling *you* to be part of the answer?
8. What fears or insecurities keep people from stepping into God’s calling to be a worker in the harvest?
9. How does knowing that Jesus supplies authority and power change the way we approach ministry?
10. Any other takeaways or action steps from this passage?

**Prayer:**

1. Take some time to pray for the outreach partners we support and for God to send more workers.
2. Take some time to pray for each other.