

Blessed To Be a Blessing: Take Two

Luke 10:1-11, 16-17

For Life Group Leaders

This study is not primarily about evangelism techniques. It is about recognising that Jesus sends ordinary disciples into ordinary places and promises to go ahead of them.

Encourage honest discussion. Some people will feel excited by the idea of sharing their faith, while others may feel anxious or inadequate. Avoid creating guilt. Instead, help the group see that the focus of Luke 10 is trusting Jesus, walking in obedience, and leaving the results with God.

Try to leave plenty of time for people to share experiences and to pray for one another.

Opening

Icebreaker

Think about a time when someone asked you to do something that felt bigger than you.

- How did you feel?
- What gave you confidence to do it?
- Did anyone help you?

Read **Luke 10:1-11, 16-17** together.

1. Sent Together

"The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them two by two ahead of him..." (Luke 10:1)

Jesus could have chosen to send people out alone, but He didn't. He sent them together.

The seventy-two were not famous religious leaders. They were ordinary followers who were willing to go where Jesus sent them.

Notice that Jesus was sending them to places "where he was about to go." Their mission was to prepare the way for His presence.

Discussion

- Why do you think Jesus sent people out in pairs rather than individually?
- What difference does Christian community make when we step out in faith?
- How does it encourage you to know that Jesus goes ahead of us?

Reflect

Who has helped you grow in confidence as a follower of Jesus?

How might you do the same for someone else?

2. Trust the One Who Sends You

| "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few." (Luke 10:2)

| "Do not take a purse or bag or sandals..." (Luke 10:4)

Jesus gives His disciples a surprising instruction. They are to travel light and depend on God.

Their security is not found in what they carry, but in the One who sends them.

Many of us feel we need more knowledge, more confidence, or better answers before God can use us. Yet Jesus sends ordinary people with ordinary lives, trusting that He will provide what they need.

Discussion

- What do you think it means to "travel light" in our culture today?
- What distractions can stop us from noticing the people God places in front of us?
- Are there things you rely on more than you rely on God?

Reflect

Is there something you have been waiting to sort out before you feel "ready" to serve God?

3. Be Good News

"Heal the sick who are there and tell them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'" (Luke 10:9)

The disciples were not sent to win arguments or force conversations.

They were sent to bring peace, blessing, healing, and the message that God was drawing near.

Often, people experience the love of God through simple acts of kindness, generosity, listening, and encouragement.

Being good news is not pretending to be someone else. It is allowing God's love to be seen through our ordinary lives.

Discussion

- What does "bringing the kingdom of God near" look like in everyday life?
- Why is authenticity important when sharing our faith?
- How can we speak about Jesus naturally rather than awkwardly?

Reflect

Think of one person you regularly see who may need kindness, encouragement, or prayer.

4. Handling Rejection

"When you enter a town and are not welcomed..." (Luke 10:10)

"Whoever rejects you rejects me." (Luke 10:16)

Jesus never promised that everyone would respond positively.

The disciples were not responsible for people's decisions. Their responsibility was simply to be faithful.

Rejection can feel deeply personal, but Jesus reminds His followers that they are representing Him.

This frees us from trying to control outcomes.

Discussion

- Why can rejection feel so difficult?
- How does Jesus' teaching change the way we think about unsuccessful conversations?
- Have you ever experienced God using something that initially felt like a failure?

Reflect

Are there situations where fear of rejection has stopped you from acting?

5. Rejoice in What God Does

| "The seventy-two returned with joy..." (Luke 10:17)

The disciples came back and shared stories of what God had done.

Mission was never meant to be a solo journey. God's people celebrate together, encourage one another, and remind each other that He is at work.

Not every story will involve dramatic moments. Sometimes the biggest victories are faithful conversations, small acts of love, or simply having the courage to step out.

Discussion

- Why is it important to share stories of what God is doing?
 - What signs of God's work have you seen recently?
 - What was your experience at Trinity Fair on Sunday?
 - How can our Life Group become a place where these stories are regularly shared?
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Putting It Into Practice

This week, prayerfully choose one simple step:

- Pray intentionally for one person.
- Offer practical kindness to someone.
- Start a spiritual conversation if the opportunity comes.
- Encourage another Christian who is serving.
- Share with the group next time about what happened.

Remember, the goal is not success by worldly standards. The goal is faithfulness.