

SERMON APPLICATION GUIDE

Luke 10:1-24

Ice Breaker: What's one memorable adventure that you've had in your life?

Ice Breaker: What's one thing that will always make you smile?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. **Read Luke 10:1-17:** Briefly give an overview of what Jesus sends his disciples to do. How does this overview differ from the similar passage in 9:1-6?
2. Jesus gives a command in verse 2. What is it? How do you do at following this command?
3. Jesus gives an "ominous" warning in verse 3. What would Jesus' purpose be in giving this warning? How should these 72 disciples receive and draw encouragement from this command?
4. What might it mean for us to go "amidst the wolves"? How can we draw encouragement for our own lives from Jesus' preparatory remarks? How can this give us hope and confidence?
5. What are the positive and negative responses of the disciples? What is the strong warning that Jesus gives in verses 10-15? How do you receive this strong announcement of judgment from Jesus? Why is Jesus so strong? How might verse 16 help answer this?
6. How ought we understand our role of announcing the kingdom of Jesus and yet being rejected by men and women? Are we discouraged? Are we defeated? Why? What help does Jesus give us and how might we be strengthened and set-on-mission by it?
7. What is the result of our sharing the kingdom of Jesus (v. 17)? Do you believe this? Have you found joy in the past from sharing Jesus? Share a brief story of a time when Jesus gave you joy from sharing about the Kingdom of God.
8. **Read Luke 10:18-24:** Verse 20 is the key to this section of verses. What is the point of verse 20 and how does it relate to what came before it and what comes after it?
9. What does it look like for you to rejoice that you belong to Jesus? Is this hard for you? Easy for you? How often do you pause and ponder the reality that Jesus died for your sins and your name is written in the book of life?
10. How can we help one another fully believe in Jesus' salvation for us? How can we help one another when doubt or despair flood our spiritual souls?

Application: Spend time praying for one another, encouraging each other in the salvation of the Lord. Pray also for wisdom and boldness to spread the kingdom of Jesus without fear of rejection or ridicule.