

RECAP

Reflecting on last week's practice, were you able to brainstorm ways you could be the peace, presence, and power in your spheres of influence? If so, then how?

IDEA 1

Message: We have to understand the message before we can be on mission. The Gospel isn't advice, it isn't a set of rules - it is good news. Its foundation is an actual event that has been done for us to change our status forever. It is a Gospel of freedom - We don't have to earn our way to God. His sacrifice is our salvation. This is the message - and we won't go on mission until we have been transformed by this message.

- In Matthew 9:35-10:1, what is the authority Jesus has given the disciples to do?
- What is the Gospel of Jesus Christ? How does the message relate to us being sent out?
- How have you been transformed by the message of the Gospel?

IDEA 2

Mission: Jesus has been proclaiming this Gospel with words and works. And now He is handing it over to His disciples. He freely gives it to them. He sends them on mission. The disciples move from being recipients to being representatives, they are off the bench and into the game. This is where the disciples become fishers of men.

- How does Jesus describe the disciple's activity once they're sent out?
- What are some of your hesitations about being on mission? Or misunderstandings.
- What does it mean to move from being recipients to being representatives? How does that practically look?

SPIRITUAL PRACTICE

These verses are a call to action, and the first action is prayer. Jesus did not say to form a committee, a focus group to gauge the feasibility of a new harvest campaign, He didn't hire a PR guy. He said to pray for more workers. We pray because the Lord is in charge of the harvest; we are not. We pray because when we are faced with a seemingly impossible task, we ask the One in whom all things are possible.

With your group, consider dedicating some time to pray for:

- The missionary worker's SAC supports.
- The ministries in your city that minister to the unreached

And lastly, how might God be sending your group out in Salem on mission?

NEXT STEPS

The Big Idea could be - We've been invited in to be pushed out (thrown out). Cast out into the beautiful and breathtaking work of God. Cast out but with community, instruction, and authority.

This week consider going through a discerning process of which next step God wants you to take as it relates to being on mission. Use these prompts as a guide:

- What are the unique gifts and skills God has given me to live on Mission?
- How has God uniquely placed me in my work, neighborhood, or spheres of influence?
- What is the way God has called me to be the peace, presence, and power of Jesus in this season?