



Jesus through the eyes of His followers

## WEEK 5 - THE SENDING OF THE 72 PART II

### OVERVIEW

Long before the “Great Commission,” Jesus sends out his disciples to participate in his kingdom mission. His call to them and instructions for what to expect when they go is a fascinating glimpse into what it means to be his messengers of hope and healing in this broken world. Not only is being Christ’s agent a step of tremendous trust and faith; it is also an opportunity to see, as the disciples did, that we have powerful authority in his name.

*The harvest is great, but the workers are few. So pray to the Lord who is in charge of the harvest; ask him to send more workers into his fields. Now go, and remember that I am sending you out as lambs among wolves.*

**Luke 10:2-3**

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Read [Luke 10:1-3](#). Picture yourself standing right there with the 72, learning what it means to be sent by Jesus. What is going through your mind?
2. Read [Luke 10:16-20](#).
  - a. Why are the disciples joyful when they return?
  - b. Explain what Jesus is referring to when he talks about satan falling from heaven and disciples crushing snakes and scorpions. (see also [Isaiah 14:12](#), [Genesis 3:15](#))
3. What is the “dual rebellion” that Barry described? (see also [Matthew 16:23](#))
4. How do humans give power to created things, like the satan and his demons?
5. How have you seen the the satan stand in the way of God’s healing mission over the years?
6. Read [Revelation 12:9-11](#), [2 Corinthians 12:9](#), and [James 4:7](#). What is the message for us today, as we live out God’s mission? (see also [Matthew 28:18-20](#), [Mark 16:15-18](#), [Luke 24:44-49](#))
7. Questions to help us engage our hearts and minds each week of this series: Share your responses with your group.
  - a. **How do I relate to the disciples?** What part of their story do you relate to? Do you see any part of yourself in them? Can you relate to the way they react to certain things? Do you identify with them in any way?
  - b. **How did I encounter Jesus?**
  - c. **What is God’s invitation to me today?**

### RESOURCES

Watch *The Chosen*, free online, [here](#).

Watch The Bible Project’s *Chaos Dragon*, [here](#).