

Jesus as told by Luke
Week's Reading: Luke 9:21-10:24
Discussion Guide: February 19, 2023

CHECK UP:

Memory work: Then he said to them all: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will save it. - Luke 9:23-24

How does denying yourself bring you life? How have you experienced that?

OPEN:

- What stood out from this past week's reading?
- How do you see yourself as "sent"?

READ and ASK: Luke 10:1-24, 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

- Why do you think Jesus sent out his followers two by two?
 - o How do we see a similar practice continue in the book of Acts?
 - o What can we learn from that?
- How are Christians like workers in the harvest?
 - o How are Christians like lambs among wolves?
- What do you make of the instructions given to these messengers?
 - o What was the message they were to proclaim?
 - o How do Jesus' instructions project a level of urgency?
- What does Jesus say is more important than the miracles they performed?
- What do the last verses teach about the privileges we have in following Jesus?
- In what ways are there similarities between Jesus sending out the 72 and Paul's teaching in 2 Corinthians 5?

APPLY:

- Does this text confront you more as a message receiver or a messenger?

- Do you believe that the harvest is plentiful?
 - o In what way do you see the harvest being plentiful?
 - o Jesus tells those he is sending out as workers to also pray for more workers. Have you been content to be just one or the other? (worker or prayer)
 - o How would seeing yourself as a worker among a bountiful harvest change the way you see yourself and what you do every day?
 - o NEXT STEP: How do you need to be a worker in the harvest this week?

Memory Work:

The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. - Luke 10:2

Next Week's Reading:

Luke 10:25-11:13