

Luke 9:51 - 10:24

Read 9:51-62

1. How is verse 51 a turning point in the Gospel? What is Jesus now deliberately walking toward?
2. We will return to consider the Samaritans again next week. For now focus on the way people respond to Jesus. Why was Jesus not welcome in a Samaritan village?
3. How does Jesus respond to the eagerness of the disciples to see the Samaritans punished?
4. Luke does not name the three men he mentions in verses 57-62. Why do you think Luke tells us about them? What point is he making?

Read 10:1-16

5. Jesus now appoints “72 others” to go ahead of Him. What does He tell them they should pray? (V2)
6. What does He tell them they should expect? (V3)
7. What does he tell them they should proclaim (v 8-11)?

8. What warning does Jesus give the towns where he is sending these seventy-two followers (v 12-16)

Read 10:17-24

9. Why do the 72 return “with joy”? (v17)
10. Where does Jesus point them for their main source of joy (v 20-21)? Why does he do this, do you think?

Getting personal

11. Is your source of joy what you do for Jesus, or what you do for yourself, or what he has done for you?

Apply

12. Jesus’ instructions in verses 1-24 are not meant as a step-by-step manual for modern missions; these are instructions for a specific place and time. But what does this passage teach us about mission in terms of:

- its urgency?
- its high stakes?

PRAY