

The Seventy Sent Forth: Great Purpose

Luke 10:01–16

(See Mt. 10)

<p>1 <i>Jesus appointed seventy disciples to prepare the way for Him</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Had many disciplesb. Sent two by twoc. Saw tremendous needd. Sent as forerunners	<p>1 After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them two by two ahead of him to every town and place where he was about to go.</p>
<p>2 <i>First, pray for more labourers</i></p>	<p>2 He told them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.</p>
<p>3 <i>Second, go into an antagonistic world</i></p>	<p>3 Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves.</p>
<p>4 <i>Third, trust God and sense the hour’s urgency</i></p>	<p>4 Do not take a purse or bag or sandals; and do not greet anyone on the road.</p>
<p>5 <i>Fourth, guard the message – do not force it upon people</i></p>	<p>5 “When you enter a house, first say, ‘Peace to this house.’</p>
	<p>6 If a man of peace is there, your peace will rest on him; if not, it will return to you.</p>
<p>6 <i>Fifth, accept compensation, but do not seek luxury</i></p>	<p>7 Stay in that house, eating and drinking whatever they give you, for the worker deserves his wages. Do not move around from house to house.</p>
<p>7 <i>Sixth, be accommodating and adaptable</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Identify with peopleb. Minister to peoplec. Proclaim the Kingdom of God	<p>8 “When you enter a town and are welcomed, eat what is set before you.</p> <p>9 Heal the sick who are there and tell them, ‘The kingdom of God is near you.’</p>

8 *Seventh, walk away from rejecters*

- a. Any town and people who reject
- 1) Symbolize God's rejection by wiping off the very dust of the city
 - 2) Reason: Kingdom of God came near, but they rejected it
 - 3) Judgment: Shall be greater than Sodom's
- b. Any who *only profess* to be God's people
- 1) Illustrated: By two Jewish cities
 - 2) The reason: The works of Christ were seen, yet He was rejected
 - 3) The judgment: To be more terrible
- c. Any who have a constant witness but reject: To receive the greatest judgment — hell

9 *Eighth, know that the Christian labourer represents the Lord*

- 10 But when you enter a town and are not welcomed, go into its streets and say,
- 11 'Even the dust of your town that sticks to our feet we wipe off against you. Yet be sure of this: The kingdom of God is near.'
- 12 I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town.
- 13 "Woe to you, Korazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the miracles that were performed in you had been performed in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes.
- 14 But it will be more bearable for Tyre and Sidon at the judgment than for you.
- 15 And you, Capernaum, will you be lifted up to the skies? No, you will go down to the depths.
- 16 "He who listens to you listens to me; he who rejects you rejects me; but he who rejects me rejects him who sent me."

The Seventy Return (Part I): Great Power

Luke 10:17–20

1 *The seventy returned*

- a. With joy
- b. With great results
and a testimony of power

**2 *The Christian labourer
has power over Satan***

**3 *The Christian labourer
has power over all enemies:
Perfect security***

**4 *The Christian labourer
is to rejoice in his salvation,
not in his power***

17 The seventy-two returned with joy
and said, “Lord,
even the demons submit to us
in your name.”

18 He replied,
“I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven.

19 I have given you authority
to trample on snakes and scorpions
and to overcome all the power of the enemy;
nothing will harm you.

20 However,
do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you,
but rejoice
that your names are written in heaven.”