

DIGGING DEEPER Matthew 10v1-15 – Instructions for Mission

PLEASE READ – Matthew 10v1-15

GETTING STARTED

Remind yourself of the reality, the problem and the response in Mt 9v37-38

Who is Jesus giving these instructions to? Why is that important to know and how does it make sense of v5-6?

1) SENT BY JESUS (V1-8)

Look at the work that Jesus gave his disciples to do (v7-8). How does that compare with what Jesus himself has been doing in Mt chapter 8 and 9? See also Mt 4v17...

How do the instructions in v7-8 apply to us today?

2) DEPENDENT ON JESUS (V9-10)

Talk about the mission kit list in v9-10...

Think about how the 12 disciples would have felt when they were given the kit list (or lack of it!), and how that would have played out in their own missionary context...

What does it look like for us to 'travel light' as we too give ourselves to the work of mission?

3) WARM TO JESUS (V11-15)

How would you describe the 'worthy person' in v11?

What does it look like to 'shake the dust off our feet' today? Talk about how our context is different to the first disciples...

How do you discern genuine warmth to Jesus?

Who might be willing to read the bible with you? Will you ask them? Will you pray for them?

Remember the urgency...

Matthew 10v15: Truly I tell you, it will be more bearable for Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.