



Sermon Discussion Questions: Matthew 10-11

Matthew 10

1. Share a time that you were on a mission. What were the circumstances (including whether you accomplished the mission)? What did you learn? How did the mission impact your faith?
2. In this passage, Jesus calls and sends out His 12 apostles on a mission. What sticks out to you about this mission? How is this mission similar or different to our mission as believers right now?
3. With Jesus' commands, He also makes promises. What are they? Which promise is most meaningful to you and why?
4. Jesus warns that persecution will come to those who follow Him. How have you experienced this in your own life? How might Jesus' instructions to His apostles encourage you today?
5. While Jesus warns of hardship and difficulty, He also promises rewards. How might reward serve as a motivation for you in your obedience to Jesus?
6. Spend some time praying for one another—for courage and endurance in following Jesus, for protection against the schemes of the enemy, and for success in mission.

Matthew 11:1-19

1. Share a time when you experienced doubt. What were the circumstances? What did you do with your doubt (both helpful & unhelpful ways)? How did God and others respond to your doubt? What did you learn about doubt?
2. In this passage, John the Baptist experienced doubt about whether Jesus was the Christ. Why was he doubting? Can you relate?
3. How did Jesus respond to John's questions? What might we learn about Jesus' posture, character, and teaching towards us and others when we doubt?
4. What doubts do you (or others close to you) currently wrestle with? How might your group pray for you?

Matthew 11:20-30

1. Share about a time you cursed someone out. What happened? Was it warranted? What were the results?
2. Jesus speaks curses upon the unbelieving cities that did not repent when He performed miracles there. What does that reveal about His character? How does that impact you personally?
3. Jesus speaks blessing upon the “little children.” What do you notice that’s different about these people (character, deeds, relationship with God, etc.) than those in the previous paragraph?
4. Jesus invites those who are weary and heavy laden to come to Him and He will give them rest. What does that reveal about His character?
5. Jesus offers rest to the weary, but He does so in a unique way. Explain the “yoke” analogy and how it applies to those who trust in Jesus.
6. How might you respond to Jesus’ invitation today? (Be specific about a next step you can take.) Spend some time as a group praying for one another.