

DEALING WITH REJECTION

Luke 10:1-20

Big Idea: *God is glorious – so we don't have to fear rejection from others.*

1. Jesus calls on his followers to _____ and _____ rejection.

"Now after this the Lord appointed seventy others, and sent them in pairs ahead of Him to every city and place where He Himself was going to come. ² And He was saying to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest. ³ Go; behold, I send you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. ⁴ Carry no money belt, no bag, no shoes; and greet no one on the way.⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house.'"

Lessons Jesus was teaching them:

- A. Jesus sends them out in pair in order to teach them the importance of testimony
- B. Jesus commands them to pray to teach them the importance of laborers.
- C. Jesus restricts what they can bring to teaches them to depend on Him.
- D. Jesus shares the analogy of lambs and wolves to teach them to expect rejection.

2. Jesus desires his children to _____ rejection.

⁵ "Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house.' ⁶ If a man of peace is there, your peace will rest on him; but if not, it will return to you."

¹² "I say to you, it will be more tolerable in that day for Sodom than for that city. ¹³ 'Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the miracles had been performed in Tyre and Sidon which occurred in you, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. ¹⁴ But it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon in the judgment than for you. ¹⁵ And you, Capernaum, will not be exalted to heaven, will you? You will be brought down to Hades!'"

¹⁶ "The one who listens to you listens to Me, and the one who rejects you rejects Me; and he who rejects Me rejects the One who sent Me."

3. Jesus empowers his followers to _____ rejection and _____ with joy.

¹⁷ The seventy returned with joy, saying, 'Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name.' ¹⁸ And He said to them, 'I was watching Satan fall from heaven like lightning. ¹⁹ Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing will injure you.²⁰ Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are recorded in heaven.'"

John 15:10-11 "If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love; just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love. ¹¹ These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and *that* your joy may be made full."

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