



**This is how we know we are in him: Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did. 1 John 2:5b-6**

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### **POP Quiz**

Q#1: What method of outreach did Jesus use during His public earthly ministry?

CHOICE 1: Built a Large Ministry Headquarters in Galilee and invited people

CHOICE 2: Went and Directly Ministered to the People in all the Towns and Villages in Galilee

Q#2: What method of outreach is commonly used by Christians in the USA today?

CHOICE 1: Build a Ministry Headquarters-known as a Church Building and invite people to come

CHOICE 2: Go and Directly Minister to the People in the Towns, Cities and Communities

### **Mark 6:1-56---5 Stories**

- 1) Jesus rejected in His hometown (v.1-6a)
- 2) Jesus sent out the twelve disciples (v.6b-13)
- 3) John the Baptist beheaded (v.14-29)
- 4) Jesus miraculously fed thousands of people (v.30-44)
- 5) Jesus walked on water and rescued his disciples (v.45-56)

### **Mark 6:6b-13: Jesus sent out the twelve disciples**

Mark 6:6b Then Jesus went around teaching from village to village.

Matthew 9:35 Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness.

Went through: to travel about-Jesus went into and interacted & spent time with the people

All the towns (walled) & villages (unwalled): 204 towns & villages in the greater Galilee region (Josephus—historian)

Teaching....Preaching....Healing (present active participles)

Teaching: careful instruction & communication

Synagogues: the center of life in a Jewish community

Preaching: announcing & proclaiming the Gospel

The Kingdom of God: the rule & reign of God

Healing: every kind of disease & sickness miraculously healed

### **Ministry of Presence & Action**

Mark 6:7 Calling the Twelve to him, he sent them out two by two and gave them authority over evil spirits.

Mark 1:17 “Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will make you fishers of men.”

3 Aspects to The Call

1. A Call to Jesus
2. A Call to Action
3. A Call to Community

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 & Deuteronomy 19:15

Mark 6:8-9 <sup>8</sup> These were his instructions: “Take nothing for the journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in your belts. <sup>9</sup> Wear sandals but not an extra tunic.”

What to Bring and Not to Bring

Bring: staff, 1 tunic, belt, sandals

Do Not Bring: food, luggage, money, 2 tunics

Message: Bring the bare essentials

Lesson: When you serve Jesus you must trust Jesus to provide for your needs

Mark 6:10-11 <sup>10</sup> “Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you leave that town. <sup>11</sup> And if any place will not welcome you or listen to you, shake the dust off your feet when you leave, as a testimony against them.”

How to Act

Be gracious & grateful guests-stay put! (v.10)

Expect rejection (v.11--remember the story of the 4 soils)

Give a warning (v.11)

Mark 6:12-13 <sup>12</sup> They went out and preached that people should repent. <sup>13</sup> They drove out many demons and anointed many sick people with oil and healed them.

Ministry of Word (v.12) & Deed (v.13)

Message: Repent! The 1<sup>st</sup> step to enter the Kingdom of God

Ministry: Acts of Mercy

Duration: several weeks or longer

**Action Step #8: Get Out There!**