

# I Am Sending You

## THE GOSPEL OF LUKE | PT. 3

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### WARMING UP

1. Measuring success can be challenging. How does our culture typically measure or define success? List some people who are widely considered to be successful in their fields.

### DIGGING IN

*How does Jesus measure success in what I do for him?*

2. *Obedience: I do what he tells me to do (v. 1-2).* What does Jesus tell his disciples to do? How is his statement “the harvest is plentiful” both a motivation and a guarantee? How is the disciples’ mission our mission? Are you engaged in it?
3. *Endurance: I overcome all obstacles (v. 3-8).* What obstacles to the disciples’ mission are implicit in Jesus’ commands here? What would make the disciples willing to go for it in spite of being “lamb in the midst of wolves”? What excuses for not serving do people commonly offer today? How can we overcome these personal obstacles?
4. *Simplicity: I focus on the message of the gospel (v. 9).* Jesus calls the disciples and us to “show and tell” the gospel? What does this mean? Why do Christians tend to emphasize one aspect over the other? How do they work together? An even bigger issue is that, for many believers, fixing the culture trumps sharing the gospel. How is this evidenced? What is the core content of the gospel message?
5. *Trust: I leave the outcome to him (v. 10-15).* What is Jesus’ point in mentioning the three Jewish towns and three pagan towns? And with wiping the dust off one’s feet when a town doesn’t receive the message? How are churches today often tempted to measure their success? How is it freeing to measure success in terms of simply doing our part?
6. *Responsibility: I understand the weight of my task (v. 16).* Jesus says, “The one who hears you hears me.” How could this truth lead some individuals to a place of pride and others to a posture of humility? What does it mean to know that you are the only Jesus some will ever see? Do you truly appreciate this legitimate weight?
7. *Satisfaction: I find joy in what he calls me to do (v. 17).* Why do we tend to motivate people toward service through obligation (“have to”) rather than satisfaction (“want to”)? What is the problem with this approach? Do you find joy in your ministry for the Lord?
8. *Gratitude: I’m thankful for what he’s done for me (v. 18-24).* Why are the disciples thankful (see v. 17)? How does Jesus redirect their gratitude? To what degree do you reflect upon all that God has done for you in Christ? How could better express your gratitude to him?

### BREAKING OUT

9. When you put it all together, how would Jesus measure your success with respect to what you are doing for him? Give yourself a score from 1-10. Which of the seven measurements are you struggling with the most? How could you improve in that area?