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Dr. Paul A. Brown, Pastor

***STRATEGY FOR MINISTRY***

Luke 10:1-24

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\*Choral Benediction No. 375 *Jesus Calls Us* (vs. 1)

\*Postlude

***STRATEGY FOR MINISTRY***

***Luke 10:1-24***

- I. Preparation for Ministry: (1-4)
  - A. **Pray** — The task is great, we need to pray that God will provide help from others. (2)
  - B. **Aware** — The task is dangerous, we need to be aware of the opposition we will face. (3)
  - C. **Focus** — The task is important, we need to remain focused and not allow others to distract us from our goal. (4)
- II. Commissioning for Ministry: *Jesus gives special instructions* (5-16)
  1. Those who welcome you: (5-9)
    - A. Peace – “*Shalom*”
    - B. Fellowship – *eat with them.*
    - C. Relationship – *remain - spending time with them*
    - D. Ministry – *heal the sick*
    - B. Message – “*The Kingdom of God is near*”
  2. Those who do not welcome you. (10-15)
    - A. Message of Warning: “*The Kingdom of God is near*”
    - B. Continued Warning: Rejection of this message results in judgment.
  3. Always Remember, you are representing God. (16)
- III. Report following Ministry: *Jesus continues to instruct.* (17-24)
  - A. Focusing on the significant provides reason for joy. (17-20)
    1. **Joy is Not** the result of overcoming the evil one.
    2. **Joy is** the result of knowing that you are related to God.
  - B. Jesus responds to the overall ministry of the 72: (21-24)
    - A. **Prayer:** God is praised for revealing His truth ... to little children. (21)
    - B. **Aware:** Jesus identifies Himself as the Son of God, who has come to reveal God. (22)
    - C. **Focus:** Jesus tells his disciples that they are blessed because of what they had seen and heard. (23-24)

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Revelation 15:3-4

“Great and marvelous are your deeds, Lord God Almighty.

Just and true are your ways, King of the ages.

<sup>4</sup>Who will not fear you, O Lord, and bring glory to your name?

For you alone are holy.

All nations will come and worship before you,  
for your righteous acts have been revealed.”

\*Hymn No. 17      *Ye Servants of God*

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,  
and publish abroad His wonderful name;  
the name all victorious of Jesus extol:  
His kingdom is glorious; He rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save,  
And still He is neigh, His presence we have;  
The great congregation His triumph shall sing,  
Ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

“Salvation to God who sits on the throne,”  
let all cry aloud and honor the Son;  
the praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,  
fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore and give Him His right—  
all glory and pow’r, and wisdom and might,  
all honor and blessing, with angels above,  
and thanks never ceasing, and infinite love.

\*Invocation

Scripture Reading      Luke 10:1-24

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them two

by two ahead of him to every town and place where he was about to go. <sup>2</sup> He told them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. <sup>3</sup> Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. <sup>4</sup> Do not take a purse or bag or sandals; and do not greet anyone on the road.

<sup>5</sup> “When you enter a house, first say, ‘Peace to this house.’ <sup>6</sup> If a man of peace is there, your peace will rest on him; if not, it will return to you. <sup>7</sup> Stay in that house, eating and drinking whatever they give you, for the worker deserves his wages. Do not move around from house to house.

<sup>8</sup> “When you enter a town and are welcomed, eat what is set before you. <sup>9</sup> Heal the sick who are there and tell them, ‘The kingdom of God is near you.’ <sup>10</sup> But when you enter a town and are not welcomed, go into its streets and say, <sup>11</sup> ‘Even the dust of your town that sticks to our feet we wipe off against you. Yet be sure of this: The kingdom of God is near.’ <sup>12</sup> I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town.

<sup>13</sup> “Woe to you, Korazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the miracles that were performed in you had been performed in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. <sup>14</sup> But it will be more bearable for Tyre and Sidon at the judgment than for you. <sup>15</sup> And you, Capernaum, will you be lifted up to the skies? No, you will go down to the depths.

<sup>16</sup> “He who listens to you listens to me; he who rejects you rejects me; but he who rejects me rejects him who sent me.”

<sup>17</sup> The seventy-two returned with joy and said, “Lord, even the demons submit to us in your name.”

<sup>18</sup> He replied, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. <sup>19</sup> I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you. <sup>20</sup> However, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

<sup>21</sup> At that time Jesus, full of joy through the Holy Spirit, said, “I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. Yes, Father, for this was your good pleasure.

<sup>22</sup> “All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows who the Son is except the Father, and no one knows who the

