

Small Group Guide
Instructions for Disciples
Luke 10:1-12
October 24-25, 2009

- 1] How is God changing your life?
- 2] Give an example from your life of a person who got to know you, your interests and needs in order to express the love and message of Christ to you.

Observe

- 3] Jesus sent seventy-two disciples for their first missionary assignment-go the villages to prepare the people to receive Him well.
List each verb in His instruction [both positive and negative]. How does it add to your understanding of Jesus' strategy for "the harvest"?

Reflect

- 4] Why do you suppose the first words out of the disciple's mouth are to be "peace to this house" [v. 5]?
- 5] Why do you think Jesus urges his followers to "stay", and "eat what is set before you" [Vv. 7-8]?
- 6] Why does Jesus urge the focus on noticing disease and expressing care and healing for people who are suffering [v. 9]?
- 7] What important perspective on the disciples' efforts does Jesus offer in vv. 10-12?

Act

- 8] In what ways are you in a similar situation to those disciples on their missionary assignment?
Can you identify people to whom God has sent you to pray “peace, to stay in relationship, to care for their hurts, and to tell them God’s kingdom is near?
- 9] How do Jesus’ instructions to these missionaries on first assignment help you know your next steps in following Jesus?
- 10] Who could you help take their next step in following Jesus?