

Sunday morning, January 3, 2021
Successful Short-term Missions
Luke 9:1–6; and 10:1–24

- I. The Disciples' Calling Lk. 10:1, 2, 9, 16
 - A. Called to Preach the Gospel of the Kingdom 10:1

 - B. Called to Pray 10:2 Matt. 9:37–38; Jn. 4:35

 - C. Called with Christ's Authority 10:16

 - D. Called with Authenticating Credentials 10:9; 9:1
 - 1. Christ Grants Them Power to Heal 10:9

 - 2. Christ Grants Them Power Against Satan's Kingdom 10:17–19

- II. The Disciples' Reception
 - A. If People Receive and Support Their Ministry Lk. 10:4–7

 - B. If People Do Not Receive or Support Their Ministry Lk. 10:3, 10–12

- III. The Disciples' Response of Joy Lk. 10:17–24
 - A. It Was a Joy to Have Been Able to Cast out Demons 10:17, 20

 - B. It Was a Greater Joy to Be Chosen for Eternal Life 10:20

 - C. It Was a Great Joy to Be Part of Christ's Church this Side of Bethlehem 10:23–24

- IV. The Disciples' Model Is Christ Himself
 - A. Their Calling Models Christ's Calling Mk. 9:37; Heb. 3:1

 - B. Their Reception Models Christ's Reception 10:13–15

 - C. Their Joy Models Christ's Joy 10:21–24
 - 1. Joy in the Believers the Father Has Given Him 10:21

 - 2. Joy in the Father's Election to Salvation 10:22; Eph. 1:4–6

QUOTES

“Prayer is one of the best and most powerful means of helping forward the cause of Christ in the world. It is a means within the reach of all who have the Spirit of adoption. . . All believers can pray for the success of the gospel,—and they ought to pray for it daily. . . ‘The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much’ (Jas. 5:16)”

J C Ryle

“The sinner in hell would give everything that he had and do anything that he could, to make the number of his sins in his lifetime, one less.”

R C Sproul

“Men will not see the truth unless it be specially revealed to them. There must be a work of God the Father through the Holy Spirit upon each intellect and mind before it can perceive the truth as it is in Jesus. Hence, when unregenerate men tell us that they cannot see the beauty of the gospel, we are not at all astonished, we never thought they could . . . Blind men are little pleased with color and deaf men care little for music. Human wisdom cannot make a man without eyes see the light.”

C. Spurgeon

“The same God who does all things according to the counsel of his own will, always addresses us as accountable creatures;—as beings whose blood will be on their own heads if they are lost. We cannot understand all his dealings. We see in part and know in part.”

J C Ryle