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They went out and preached that people should repent. They drove out many demons and anointed many sick people with oil and healed them. Mark 6:7-13 (NIV)

They preached with joyful urgency that **life can be radically different!** Mark 6:12 (Msg)

## God Is Calling You

1. To an assignment that is Smaller and More Difficult than you can imagine.

Jesus called the Twelve to him, and sent them out in pairs. He gave them authority and power to deal with the evil opposition. Mark 6:7 (Msg)

{Jesus said} "Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much." Luke 16:10 (NIV)

{Jesus said} "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:45 (NIV)

2. To an assignment that requires Urgency and Confidence in the character of God.

These were his {Jesus'} instructions: "Take nothing for the journey except a staff--no bread, no bag, no money in your belts. Wear sandals but not an extra tunic. Mark 6:8-9 (NIV)

He sent them off with these instructions: "Don't think you need a lot of extra equipment for this. You are the equipment. No special appeals for funds. Keep it simple." Mark 6:8 (Msg)

I urge you, Timothy...preach the Word of God. Never lose your sense of urgency... 2 Timothy 4:2 (Phil)

...that servant is wicked and says to himself, 'My master won't be back for a while,'... Matthew 24:48 (NIV/NLT)

3. To an assignment that embodies the Hospitality and the Pursuing Grace of God.

{Jesus said} "Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you leave that town. 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." Mark 6:10-11 (NIV)

"You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I tell you: Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be sons of your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:43-45 (NIV)

Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they divided up his clothes by casting lots. Luke 23:34 (NIV)