



# Message











**24-7 PRAYER**

PRAYER, MISSION AND JUSTICE



***‘Lord,  
teach  
us to  
pray...’***

***(Luke 11:1)***

*‘Jesus called  
his twelve  
disciples to  
him and gave  
them authority  
to drive out  
impure spirits  
and to heal  
every disease  
and illness...  
These twelve  
Jesus sent out*



*with the  
following  
instructions:*

*‘...Go to the  
lost sheep of  
Israel. As you  
go, proclaim  
this message:  
“The kingdom  
of heaven has  
come near.”’*

*(Matt. 10:1-2, 6-7)*



Still another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say goodbye to my family.'

Jesus replied, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God.'

**Jesus sends out the seventy-two**

**10** After this the Lord appointed seventy-two<sup>a</sup> 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 someone who promotes peace is there, your peace will rest on them; if not, it will return to you.<sup>7</sup> Stay there, 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 offered to you.<sup>9</sup> Heal those there who are ill and tell them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you."<sup>10</sup> But when you enter a town and are not welcomed, go into its streets and say, "Even the dust of your town and are not from our feet as a warning to you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God has come 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, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the miracles performed in you had been in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. But I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for you.

<sup>16</sup> 'Whoever listens to you listens to me; whoever rejects you rejects me; but whoever 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 pleasure to do.'

<sup>22</sup> 'All things have been handed over to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.'

<sup>23</sup> Then he said privately to his disciples, 'See what you have prophesied about me, and how you have fulfilled it.'

**'go and make  
disciples  
of all  
nations...  
teaching  
them to obey  
everything  
I have  
commanded  
you.'**

**(Matt. 28:19-20)**



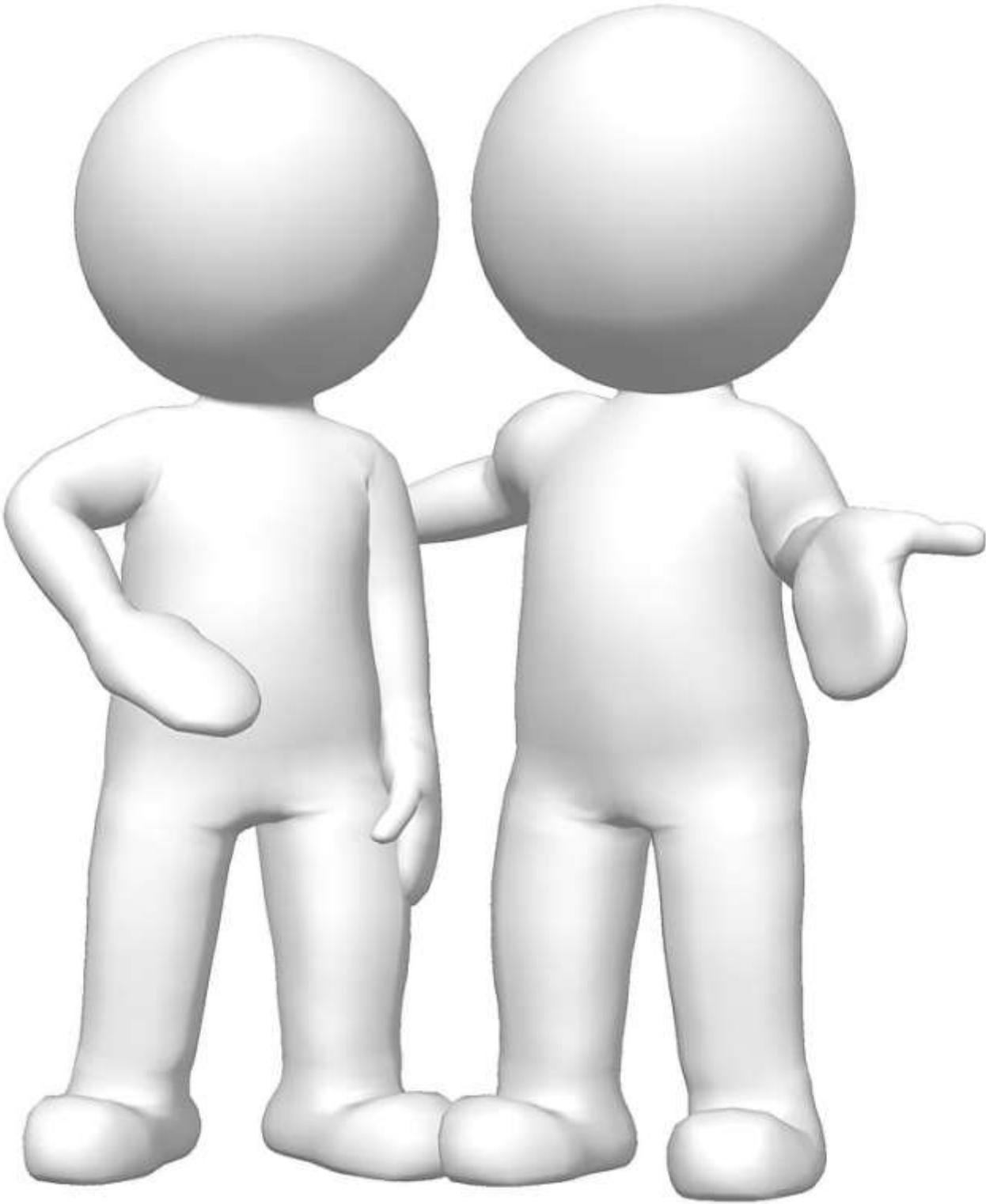


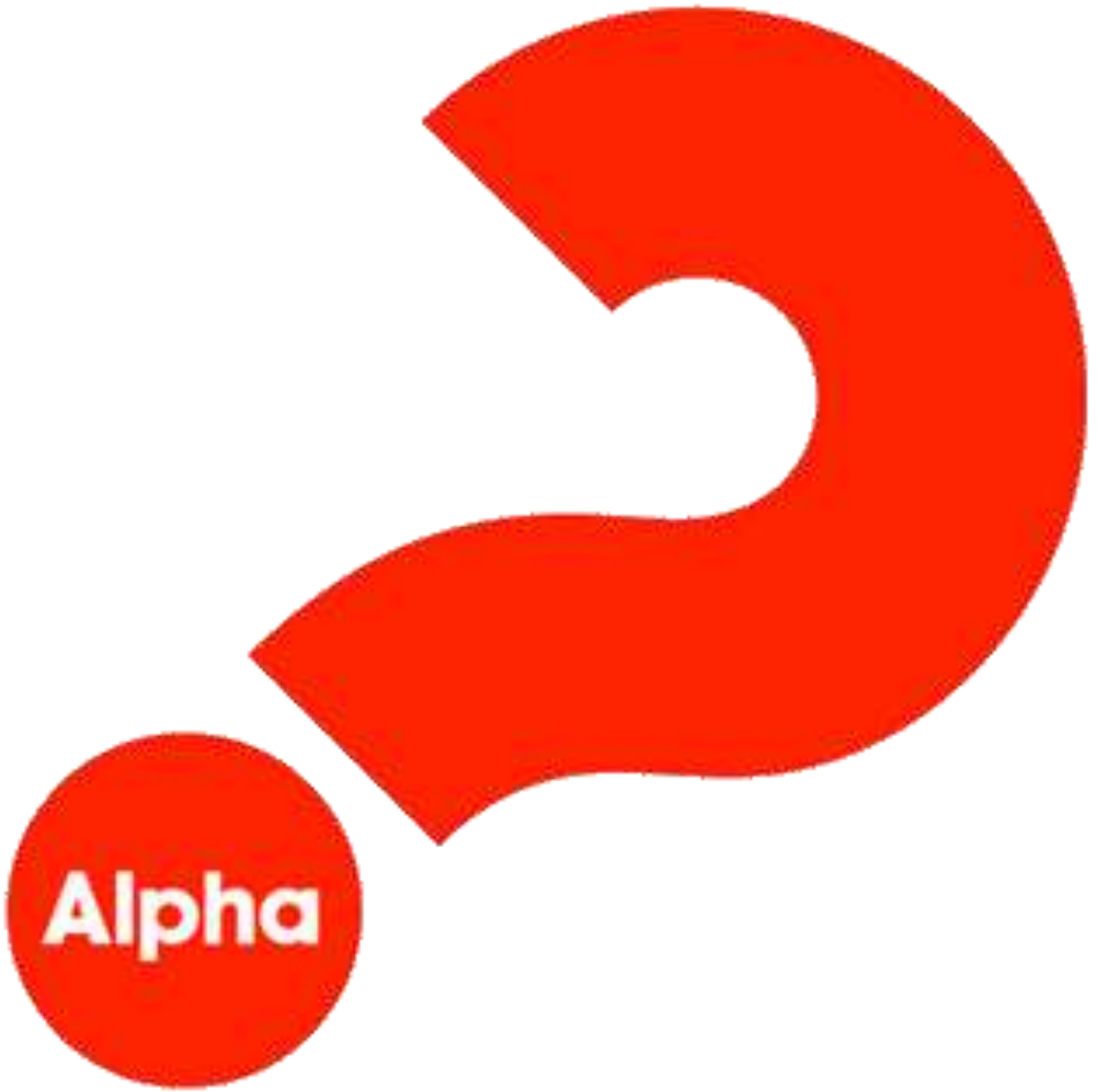












**16th**  
**September**  
**2020**



**‘to invite,  
encourage  
and enable  
people to be  
disciples  
of Jesus  
Christ.’**

***Church Without  
Walls Report 2001***