"Empowered for Kingdom Expansion" Matthew 10:1-15

Main Idea: In order to expand His kingdom, King Jesus delegates His authority to His disciples so that many more people can come under His influence.

Jesus Delegates Authority to His Disciples (1)

Over evil spirits

Over every disease

Over every affliction

Names of the Twelve Disciples (2-4)

Jesus Sends His Disciples Out with Specific Instructions (5-15) The Target Group (5-6) Avoid Gentiles and Samaritans (5)

Go to the lost sheep of Israel (6)

The Message: "The kingdom has drawn near" (7)

The Proof: Perform supernatural wonders (8a) Heal the sick

Raise the dead

Cleanse lepers

Cast out demons

The Living Arrangements (8b-10) Do not charge or accept compensation (8b-9)

Do not take food or extra clothes (10)

The Reception (11-15) Search for hospitable hosts in every town (11)

Bless hospitable homes (12-13a)

Curse inhospitable towns or homes (13b-15)

Application:

How Jesus delegates authority today

The kind of ambassadors Jesus is looking for

The role of the Holy Spirit