

Eyes on the Prize

Jesus and Missional Discipleship

Luke 9:37-62



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Jesus Heals a Boy
With an Unclean
Spirit

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Anyone Not Against
Us Is For Us

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Jesus Again
Foretells His
Death

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A Samaritan Village
Rejects Jesus

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Who is the
Greatest?

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The Cost of
Following Jesus



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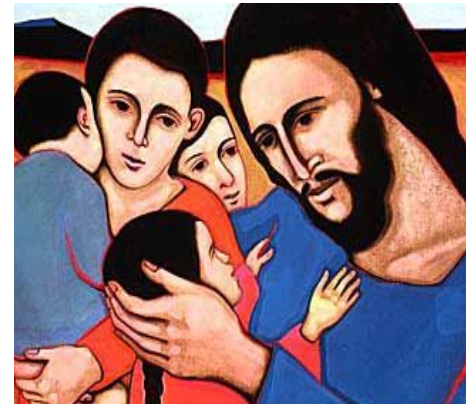


**BE UNITED vs
THE REAL ENEMY**

GIVE YOUR LIFE



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ALL ARE GREAT



FOLLOW CHRIST

37 On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him.

38 And behold, a man from the crowd cried out, “Teacher, I beg you to look at my son, for he is my only child.

39 And behold, a spirit seizes him, and he suddenly cries out. It convulses him so that he foams at the mouth, and shatters him, and will hardly leave him.

40 And I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not.”



41 Jesus answered, “O **faithless and twisted** generation, how long am I to be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here.”

42 While he was coming, the demon threw him to the ground and convulsed him. But Jesus rebuked the **unclean spirit** and healed the boy, and gave him back to his father.

43 And **all were astonished** at the majesty of God.





But while they were all marveling at everything he was doing, Jesus said to his disciples,

44 “Let these words sink into your ears: The Son of Man is about to be delivered into the hands of men.”

45 But **they did not understand** this saying, and it was concealed from them, so that they might not perceive it. And they were **afraid to ask** him about this saying.



46 An argument arose among them as to **which of them was the greatest.**

47 But Jesus, knowing the reasoning of their hearts, **took a child** and put him by his side

48 and said to them,



“Whoever receives this child
in my name receives me,
and whoever receives me
receives him who sent me.

For **he who is least** among
you all is the one who **is
great.**”



Reflective Interaction Opportunity

OVCC, how could we as a community be more CHILD-centered in our ministry to the world?

How could we prioritize the needs of our YOUTH?

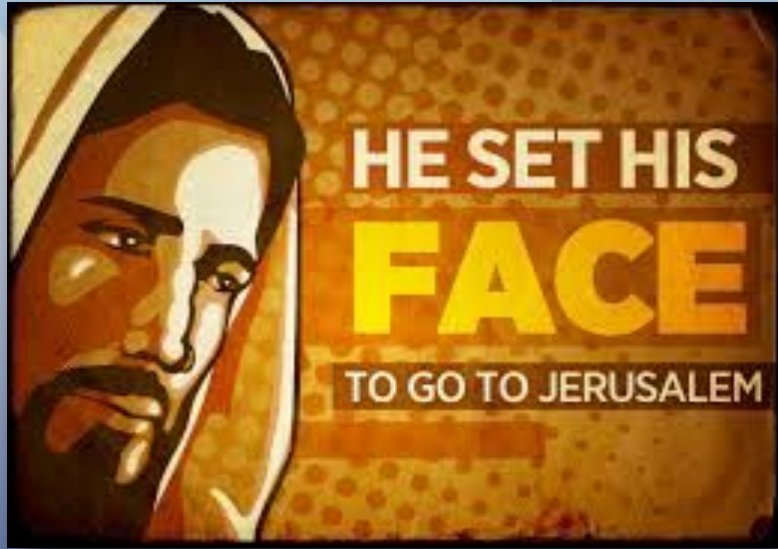
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49 John answered, “Master, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because **he does not follow with us.**”

50 But Jesus said to him, “**Do not stop him**, for the one who is not against you is for you.”

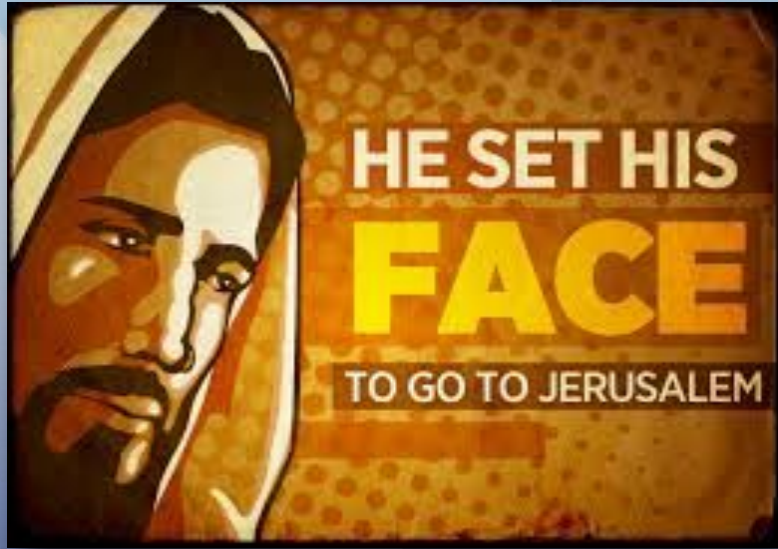




51 When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he **set his face** to go to Jerusalem.

52 And he sent messengers ahead of him, who went and entered a village of the Samaritans, to make preparations for him.

53 But **the people did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem.**



54 And when his disciples James and John saw it, they said, “**Lord, do you want us to tell fire to come down from heaven and consume them?**”

55 But he turned and **rebuked them.**

56 And **they went on** to another village.



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57 As they were going along the road, someone said to him, “**I will follow you wherever you go.**”

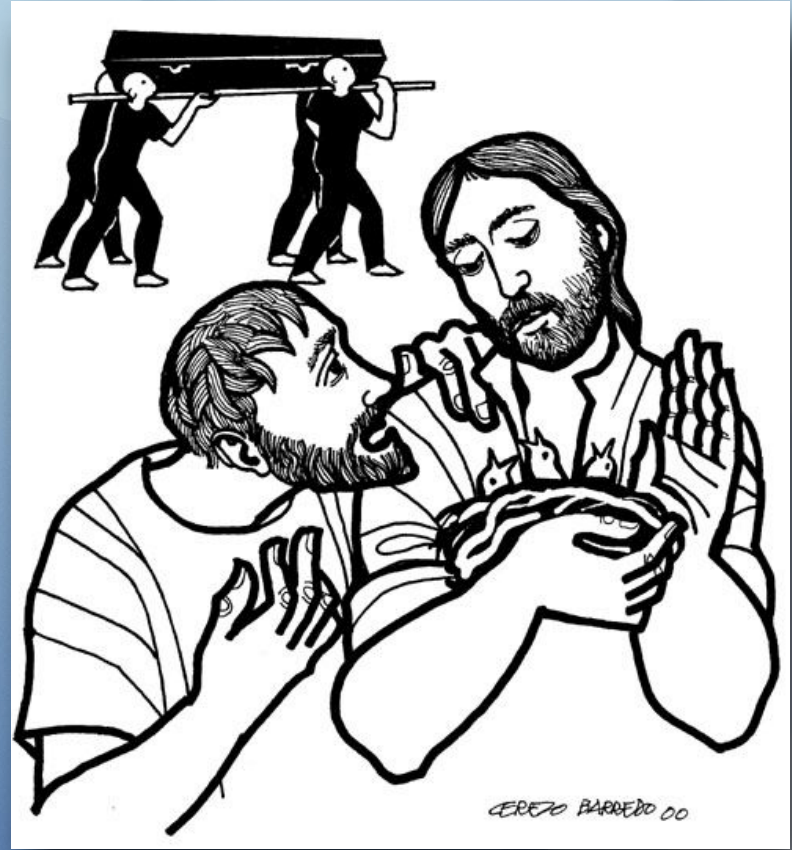
58 And Jesus said to him:



59 To another he said, “**Follow me.**”

But he said, “Lord, let me first go and bury my father.”

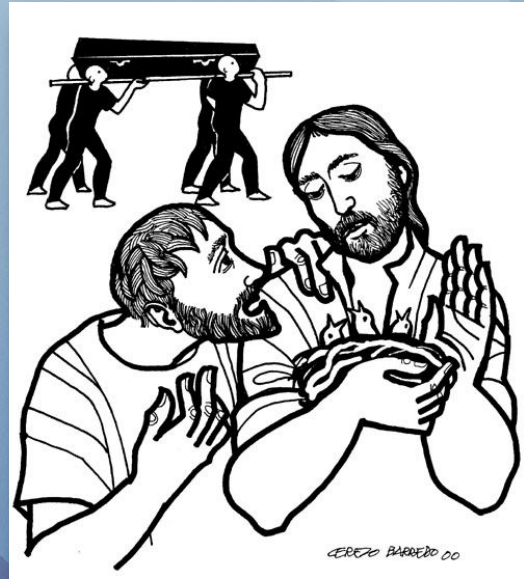
60 And Jesus said to him, “Leave the dead to bury their own dead. But as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.”



61 Yet another said, **“I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home.”**

62 Jesus said to him, **“No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”**





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Luke 10:17-20 -- the **70/72** are sent out by Jesus -- growing mission force followed Christ:

they “return with joy” from their mission, for “even the demons submit to us in your name!” ...



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Jesus: “I saw **Satan fall like lightning from heaven**. Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you.

Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but **rejoice that your names are written in heaven.**” (10:18-20)





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