

Eating & Drinking

Luke 10:1-12, Jeremiah 29:4-7

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WARM-UP QUESTIONS:

1. If you had the opportunity to go out for dinner, where do you usually like to go?
2. What are some things that create the feel of a neighborhood?
3. On a scale of 1-10, how involved are you with your neighborhood? Explain the reason(s) you rated yourself at that level.

REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

1. As we have been doing throughout this series, read through the Luke 10 and Jeremiah 29 passages. When it comes to the neighborhood you live in or the places you frequent, do you consider yourself “one of the locals”? How does this affect your interactions with the residents there? What would it take to become “local”?
2. If you were one of the disciples being sent out, how would you feel settling among people who were unfamiliar to you? If you were one of those exiles in Babylon, why would God want you to settle down and work with those from a different background and beliefs after so many years of cultivating a separate cultural identity?
3. What did Jesus mean when he spoke about the workers deserving wages (10:7)? Was it about fairness, entitlement, or humility, submission, dependability? What is its significance?
4. Pastor Jason implies that the act of working among people isn't limited to co-existence, but to move toward an intentional co-dependence and collaboration. Is this concept appealing to you? Why or why not?

APPLICATION QUESTIONS:

1. What are some things you think God is yearning to bring about for the “welfare of your city”? What role might you play in making these desires become reality?
2. Are there local businesses that you (or your small group) can bless with the love of God this week? Will you commit to praying for them through your visit?
3. These days, we are able to take part in a number of communities and causes via technology - how can we extend Jesus' commissioning of love and community to them as well?
4. How might we consider and apply the principle of “the worker deserving wages” to companies, industries, individuals who demonstrate characteristics of the Fall (curse, sin) in their work activities?