

Sermon Notes-August 16, 2020

“Travelling Light

Luke 10:1-11 -Pastor Lee

-illustration: I usually over-pack, but not when backpacking

-Sharing the message of God's Kingdom is urgent, requiring lifestyle of travelling light!

-context of this Bible passage: urgent times: Jesus on road to cross; instructs his disciples how to represent Him, including sharing meals in a specific way. (“Dinners with Jesus”)

1-Reliant on God alone: complete trust, abandoning self to God

- we too are sent on mission

- we too cannot rely on our possessions or abilities

- abandoning ourselves to God gives freedom to soar like eagles (Isaiah 40:31)

2-Relinquish attachments to the world = free to serve Jesus

- we carry nothing but a cross (Luke 9:25,23)

- this burden is light (Matt. 11:30)

- unattached to worlds' possessions and opinions of us

- yet with gentleness and respect for others (1 Peter 3:15-16)

3-Reciprocal relationships with people: - share and receive shalom

- reciprocal sharing and receiving grace

- illustration: when building homes in Mexico – eat what the local people offer

4 – Re-focus our message

- “The Kingdom of God has come near you”

- God is not distant

- He is the King – our relationship with Him should reflect this

- don't add extra baggage to the gospel

- traditions, rules, taboos, cultural expressions

Sum: travel light to share God's light

- rely on God alone, relinquish our attachments, enjoy reciprocal relationships, and re-focus our message.