

PROPER 9

YEAR C

Sharing the message





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Sunday between July 3 and July 9



Share your highs and lows, or respond to the following:

- 1. Share about a special trip you remember taking.
- 2. Imagine for a moment that Jesus sent you and a partner to another place to tell others about him. How would you do it? What would you do first? Who would you want as your partner?
- 3. Do you find it hard to talk to others about God? Why or why not?



BIBLE READINGS

Read the following Bible readings throughout this week. Talk about what words or phrases stand out for you.

S	Luke 10:1-11,16-20	Jesus sends out the seventy-two
M	Galatians 6: 1-16	We harvest what we plant
т	Matthew 13:1-9,18-23	Parable of the sower
W	Romans 10:13-18	Proclamation of the message
Т	John 4:31-38	Fields ripe for harvest
F	Acts 13:1-12	Saul and Barnabas sent out
S	Psalm 66:1-9	See what our God has done

VERSE OF THE WEEK

Jesus said to them: "A large crop is in the fields, but there are only a few workers.

Ask the Lord in charge of the harvest to send out workers to bring it in."

LUKE 10:2



CREATIVE RESPONSE

When Jesus sent out seventy-two of his followers ahead of him he said that upon entering a house they were to say "Peace to this house."

Practise greeting each other as you come and go from your household this week.

If possible, choose a member of the household to partner with and when they go or return home, from school or work, share this greeting with each other:

"God's peace be with you: And with you too."



ACTION RESPONSE

St. Paul says, "So let's not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't give up. Therefore, whenever we have the opportunity, we should do good to everyone—especially to those in the family of faith." Galatians 6: 9-10

What opportunities do you have to 'do good' this week - in your church, neighbourhood, school or places of work? Plan one way that you can do good as a household this week.



MEALTIME PRAYER

You have blessed us, Lord, with food to savour. Send us forth, your fields to labour. Amen.



PRAYER

Lord, keep us from becoming tired of helping others today. Help us to do good to everyone. Amen.



BLESSING

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.