



Jesus Rejoices Over the 70 February 13 Luke 10:1-22

Object Lessons and Storytelling Ideas

- What do you need to prepare for a trip? Jesus doesn't let his friends take any of those things. Instead, they have to rely on the kindness of strangers.
- What is hospitality? How can we practice both giving and receiving hospitality?
- We often use Luke 10:2 as a reminder to pray for God to call and send missionaries and church planters. Pick one missionary or church planter your church supports and talk about (or invite them to talk about) how they do what Jesus called these disciples to do, or the story of how they were sent out.
 - Next week is the EMC Day of Prayer. Your church office, pastor and missions committee contact have information, prayer requests, and possibly a video from a few EMC missionaries, including any you support.

Discussion Ideas and Questions

- Why do you think Jesus made his friends rely on the kindness of strangers instead of bringing what they would need?
- Why do you think some people listened and other people did not? Is it sometimes hard to believe? Or to tell people about Jesus when you know some people won't listen?
- How can we do what Jesus told the disciples to do right where we live? How can we partner with missionaries around the world?

At Home Connections

- Get out your luggage and discuss what things the disciples did need to bring with them - faith, courage, humility, willingness to eat unfamiliar foods. How could you represent these things while packing?
- Talk about and pray for a missionary or church planter that your church supports. Where are they? What do they do? (Your church office has information available for EMC missionaries.) Write them a letter or draw them a picture letting them know that you prayed for them. Sign up for their newsletter if possible, and spend time as a family praying for them every time you receive one.