

Pastor Raymond Beaty Part 5: "Called to Be Sent" Sermon Small Group Notes

USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

We have provided all the Scriptures referenced in the sermon and some discussion questions for you to use to facilitate a discussion.

This Sermon Discussion Guide is only a tool to aid you in meeting the needs of your group. For most groups, there are too many questions to answer in one session together.

While the questions are important, remember your small group's goal is not to pound through the questions but to create an atmosphere that will foster true friendships, so knock yourself out with the discussion questions but spend more time laughing than answering the questions.

[Romans 10.13-15, ESV]

For everyone who calls on the name of The Lord will be saved. How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!"

THE WHO, WHAT, AND WHERE OF BEING SENT

WHO am I sent to be? I am sent to be an <u>ambassador</u>.

[2 Corinthians 5.18-20, ESV]

Therefore we are ambassadors of Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

2. WHAT am I sent for? I am sent to be an ambassador for peace.

[Ephesians 2.13-17, ESV]

And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near.

You have already chosen what you're going to be an ambassador from.

3. WHERE am I sent to? I am sent to be an ambassador of peace to the world.

[Acts 1.8-11, ESV]

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.

YOU ARE SENT TO BE AN AMBASSADOR FOR PEACE TO THE WORLD.

[John 20.21, ESV]

Jesus said to them again, Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Has anyone ever loved you so much that he or she fixed what you destroyed, or messed up?
- 2. What does the Bible say about the Church's role for peace, provision, and protection in the world? What are some things that you can do to participate?
- 3. Why do you think God has shaped us and formed us so differently from each other?
- 4. How does an ambassador behave? What are you currently an ambassador of? When people see you coming toward them, what do they think?
- 5. Who are some people in your sphere of influence to whom you can bring peace and reconciliation?