


# THE CHRIST OF GOD DISCUSSION QUESTIONS


LUKE 9:1-20

**1** In Luke 9, Jesus is inviting His disciples into His mission by sending them out with a job. If you could have any job in the world, what would it be? Why?


 What job did Jesus invite his disciples to share with him in Luke 9:1-2?

 How does Jesus make it possible for his disciples to do the job he's called them to?

**2** Discuss together the difference and connections between the concepts of power and authority. "Power" is the ability to accomplish a task, and "authority" is the right to do it.


 Why did the disciples need Jesus' power and authority when they were sent out to minister?

 Has Jesus given you any power and authority for ministry? Explain your answer. See also John 15:16, 1 Cor 1:9, 1 Thess. 5:23-24, 1 Pet. 2:21, Matt 28:18, Col. 2:9-11

 What are some lessons we can learn from Luke 9 about Christian ministry?

**3** How would you contrast Jesus and the disciples when the uninvited crowd of people showed up in Bethsaida? What do you notice about both of their reactions?

 Think of how you naturally respond in similar situations. How are you tempted to respond like the disciples?

 What should we learn from Christ in this passage?

 How can we respond rightly to the never-ending needs of those around us?

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**In Luke 9:16-17, Jesus miraculously feeds a crowd of people, but he doesn't just feed them a snack.** He fed the crowd until they were satisfied, and there was more than enough left over to fill 12 baskets. What stands out to you about that aspect of this miracle?

♥ *Where do you tend to look for satisfaction, other than to Jesus? Have you found that disappointing?*

🗨 *What has helped you break out of the doom cycle of seeking fulfillment in all the wrong places?*

♥ *When do you find it most difficult to believe that Jesus is your ultimate satisfaction?*

📖 *What would it mean for you to come to Jesus and eat your fill? Read the following passages for help: Ps 16:11, Is 58:11, Ps 37:4, Phil 4:19, John 4:14, Prov 19:23, Jer. 17:5-10*

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**Peter confesses that Jesus is the Christ the Son of the Living God.** In your own words, who is Jesus?

🗨 *In our valley, what are some of the things about Jesus that people need to learn or get right when it comes to answering that question?*

♥ *What things about Jesus do you most treasure?*

⚙ *What things about Jesus would you like to understand better?*