

Friends of Jesus and Mary Amigos de Jesús y María



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Cycle C - XIV Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 66, 10-14; Psalm 65, Galatians 6, 14-18; Luke 10, 1-12. 17-20 or 10, 1-9

Jesus sends off seventy-two.

At that time the Lord appointed seventy-two others whom he sent ahead of him in pairs to every town and place he intended to visit. He said to them, "The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest. Go on your way; behold, I am sending you like lambs among wolves. Carry no money bag, no sack, no sandals; and greet no one along the way. Into whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this household.' If a peaceful person lives there, your peace will rest on him; but if not, it will return to you. Stay in the same house and eat and drink what is offered to you, for the laborer deserves his payment. Do not move about from one house to another. Whatever town you enter, and they welcome you, eat what is set before you, cure the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God is at hand for you.'" Whatever town you enter and they do not receive you, go out into the streets and say, 'The dust of your town that clings to our feet, even that we shake off against you.' Yet know this: the kingdom of God is at hand. I tell you, it will be more tolerable for Sodom on that day than for that town."

Reflection

Jesus sends the new 72 disciples in groups of two. Why is it better to go in pairs? (They can help each other; they are safer; people believe two more than one...) Jesus sent them to places He planned on going. What does this mean? (We take the message, but Jesus enters the heart.) What message? (Jesus loves us and opens the gates of Heaven with His death on the cross; He invites us to love and to follow Him.) Why did He say: "I am sending you like lambs among wolves"? (Some people close their hearts to Jesus' message, and they reject the messenger; God gives us the choice to accept Him or not.) Jesus asks them to say, "Peace to this household." Why? (It was a test. If their hearts were open to the



message of repentance and love, they would receive them with love and joy and they could stay. If not, they would not receive them and they would have to find another place to stay.) What did Jesus say to do if they were well received? (Stay, eat and drink, and cure the sick.) When we receive Jesus into our hearts, He is generous with us! He gives us peace, happiness to share with others. And He gives us eternal life! If we don't, we will have to suffer much. How can we take this message to the world? (Always act with love, talk to others about Jesus, be an example of living your Catholic faith, pray and do sacrifices for sinners...)

Activity

On the following page, write in the hearts the words that reflect what Jesus' workers must do. On the last page, color the name of Jesus, cut, glue to colored construction paper, make holes in the top corners and hang with string. In groups of two, act out situations imitating Jesus.

Prayer

Jesus, I want to be your messenger. Send your Holy Spirit to my heart so I may take peace and love to all in my family and in my community. Change the hearts that do not want to receive your message. Amen.

Song: Make me a channel of your peace, CCS version, (Ctrl Click) https://youtu.be/apHvbe-iJ3U

There's Just Something About that Name, Maranatha (Ctrl Click) https://youtu.be/XeL3yngDpMg

PPT: https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1d4yzB160hDPsU0SMbL0bEdYSKFfApCtl/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=115268475267556305384&rtpof=true&sd=true



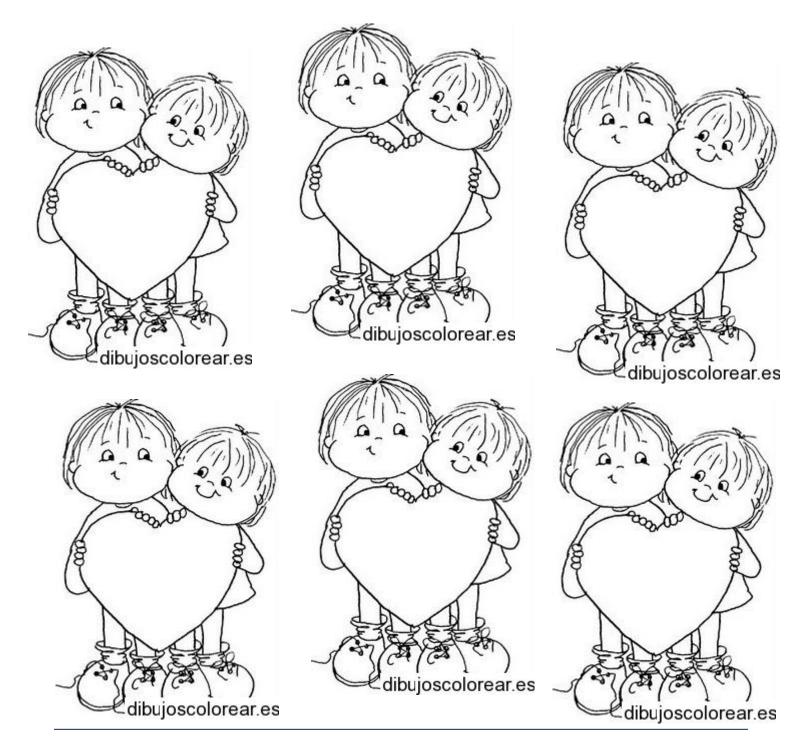
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JESUS SENDS THEM OFF IN PAIRS

Instructions: write in the hearts the words that reflect what Jesus' workers must do.

HELP FIGHT SHARE IGNORE FORGIVE PROCLAIM LIE STEAL TEACH PRAY





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