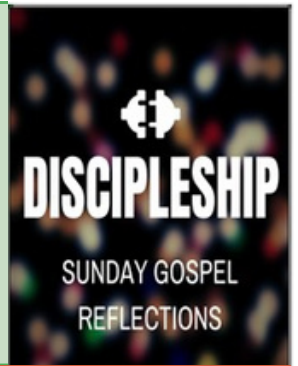


In preparation for June 14, 2026: Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

**Theme - The Harvest is Ready – are you?**

**Verse for Reflection:** “Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give.”

Matthew 9:36-10:8 (Verse 10:8)



**Adults -**

1. What have you freely received from God that you can freely give to others? Where might God be calling you to serve without seeking recognition or reward?
2. As disciples of Jesus we are called to share and proclaim the Kingdom of God. What is one practical way you can proclaim nearness of God’s kingdom to someone this week?
3. What is your response to God’s call to be a laborer for the harvest? How might you use a specific skill set you have to serve in Christ’s mission?

**Obstacles for living out the Gospel:** self-protection; fear of rejection; lack of confidence; uncertainty

**Teens -**

1. What’s the difference between feeling bad for someone and actually having compassion like Jesus? Why do you think it can be easier to scroll past someone’s pain (online or in real life) instead of responding to it?
2. What do you think Jesus means when He says “the harvest is abundant”? What is the “harvest” today? Where do you see a need for God in your school, friend group, or family? Do you believe God could use you to reach someone else? Why or why not?
3. What does it look like for a teen to be “sent out” today? Where is one place in your life where you feel God might be asking you to step up? What would need to change in your life in order for Jesus to send you out to others?

**Obstacles to living out the Gospel:** The need to belong can feel so strong that risking it by standing out can feel overwhelming or scary.

**Children -**

1. Do you ever talk to anyone about Jesus? If so, who? What are some ways of spreading the good news about God’s love that are available to us today that were not available to Jesus’ twelve Apostles?
2. Which do you think is/was more challenging: for the twelve Apostles to go out and share the Good News with others or for us in today’s society to go out and share the Good News? Explain.
3. Does it ever occur to you that Jesus is asking you to do some of the same things he asked his twelve Apostles to do? What might it look like for you to proclaim the good news, heal the sick or cast out demons today?

**Obstacles to living out the Gospel:** Thinking this Gospel message is for only ordained ministers.