

From Galilee Jesus travelled towards Jerusalem, knowing that soon He must be put to death. Feeling that His time for preaching and healing was growing short, Jesus now chose seventy of His friends to go before Him into every town and village through which He must pass, to prepare the people for His coming. Thinking of those who as yet knew nothing of His message, Jesus said to the disciples, "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He would send forth laborers into His harvest."

When the seventy were ready to start, Jesus called them to Him, and sent them away two by two, saying, "Behold I send you forth as lambs among wolves, but make no preparation for your journey: go just as you are, carrying with you no extra money or clothes, neither linger by the way. When you come to a town, go first of all to some house, saying, 'Peace be to this house.' If they receive you well, they shall be blessed; stay with them while you are in that place, eating and drinking such things as they offer you, for the laborer is worthy of his hire. Do not move about from house to house, but at once make known your message in the town, healing any who are sick, and saying, 'The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.'

"If, in any city, they will not hear you, go out into the public street, and shake the dust off your feet, as a sign that you are not to blame for their unbelief. The people of such a town," said Jesus, "shall be punished even more severely than Sodom, that great city of olden times, which for its wickedness was burned with fire from heaven. He that heareth you, heareth me; and he that despiseth you, despiseth Me; and he that despiseth Me, despiseth Him that sent Me."

Questions on the Lesson

1. Where did Jesus do most of His teaching and miracles? 2. Why did the Galileans turn against Him? 3. What did Jesus say of the cities that had rejected Him? 4. Towards what city did He now prepare to go? 5. Whom did He call to help Him in

His work? 6. What was the work of the seventy? 7. How many were to go together? 8. What directions did Jesus give them for the journey? 9. What words were they to speak as soon as they entered a house? 10. What were they to say to the people of the town? 11. What did Jesus say should happen to those who refused their message? 12. The Golden Text?

Lesson Hymn

Hark! the voice of Jesus crying—
 'Who will go and work to-day?
 Fields are white and harvests waiting;
 Who will bear the sheaves away?'
 Loud and long the Master calleth,
 Rich reward He offers free;
 Who will answer, gladly saying,
 'Here am I; send me, send me!' Amen.

—Hymn 447, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—87. Which is the Eighth Commandment? The Eighth Commandment is, "Thou shalt not steal."

SHORTER CATECHISM—19. What is the misery of that estate wherewith man fell? A. All mankind by their fall lost communion with God, are under his wrath and curse, and so made liable to all miseries in this life, to death itself, and to the pains of hell forever.

SOMETHING TO DRAW

How busy the farmers are after the grain is ripe until it is safely gathered into the



barn! Jesus wants His followers to be just as busy in bringing people into His kingdom. One way of doing this is to pray. We can all ask God, day by day, to send more of His servants to tell in all the world the story of His love.

I Have Learned To-day
 TO TELL OF JESUS TO OTHERS