



# TOGETHER CHURCH

**GUARDRAILS  
THAT HELP US  
STAY THE COURSE AS A  
DISCIPLE-MAKING CHURCH**

**Week 6: April 11-17**

**Welcome/ Introduce Guests/ Share Life (10 minutes)**  
**Recall the Guidelines/ Open in Prayer**

**Vision Casting (2 minutes):** A disciple is someone who follows Jesus, is being changed by Jesus and participates in the mission of Jesus. Let's make disciples of Jesus today.

**Hook Question (5 minutes):** When was a time you missed something special because you were too busy?

**Ask someone to read the background for the story (2 minutes):**

When Jesus knew the time to return to His Father was near, He sent seventy-two of His followers on mission to different villages. Their mission was to let people know that the kingdom of God was near. When He did this, He gave them very specific instructions. They were not to take any money, knapsack, or sandals. Neither were they to talk to anyone on the road. They were to look for people of peace in each village. The disciples would know who people of peace were if they were welcomed after the disciples said, "Peace be to this house". When welcomed in, they would stay and eat the food and drink what was provided. During their stay, they would go heal the sick and tell people, "The kingdom of God has come near to you." If a town did not receive them, they were to dust their feet off and say, "Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near."

The mission Jesus sent His followers on was urgent. People needed to know the kingdom of God was finally nearby! The honor and excitement of being sent out by Jesus to tell people about His coming had to have been overwhelming. It would have also been a great honor to host Jesus' messengers. Maybe Jesus would come visit too!

When the seventy-two returned, Jesus set off on His journey towards Jerusalem with the twelve disciples. As they were on their way, they came upon a village where a home of peace was eager to welcome them. This is where our story begins...

**Tell the story from Luke 10: 38-42: (12 Minutes per section):** Change the storyteller often.

**Rebuild the Story:** Group members retell the story as well as possible.

**Read the story from:** Ask the group to read these verses.

**Discussion Questions Luke 10:38-42:** Learn to talk about God's word with others. **(Take as much time as needed.)**

- What do you like or dislike about this story?
- What does this story teach you about yourself or people?
- What does this story teach you about God?
- What distractions keep you from hearing what God wants to say to you?
- What is God speaking to you about? How do you need to apply this story to your life?

***Ask for a volunteer storyteller for next week. Close in Prayer.***