

Home Group Study Material for w/c 20th September 2010
Matthew 10:1-20 Mission Matters

Suggested questions for discussion – as usual please modify them as appropriate for your group

The aim of the study is to build on the last meeting's focus on **why** it's important to get involved by understanding **how** we can get involved in the harvest

1. *'Ice-breaker' question:* What did you think of the Pope's visit to the UK? Did it help or hinder Christian mission here? Why or why not?
2. What was special about the people that Jesus picked for his very first mission team in verses 2-4? How should this help us get involved in mission?
3. Why did Jesus tell the Twelve to only go to Jews in verse 5? What can we at Southover learn from this?
4. Which of the instructions (if any) that Jesus gave the Twelve in verses 7 to 10 are still relevant for mission work in Lewes today? Give reasons for your answers. For any that you think aren't relevant, can you update them to make them relevant?
5. Very few of us find mission work easy. How do Jesus' words in verses 11 to 15 help make mission easier and more productive for us?
6. Do you agree that we're all called to work in the mission field? Share with each other whether you're a front-line worker or a backroom worker and why you think this. What would be your ideal mission role? (And you're not allowed to say "nothing"!) Is God calling you to do something for him now? Yes or no, are you sure about this?
7. At the end of your study, glorify God in a time of prayer (Matt 9:8) and continue to pray for "the Lord of the Harvest to send out workers into his harvest field" (Matt 9:38)

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