

# Sermon Discussion Questions for Small Groups

Week of November 12

Sermon Titled: "Seeing, Sowing, Praying"

**Open in Prayer. Read John 4:35-38, Matthew 9:35-38, Luke 10:1-2**

## Discussion Questions

1. "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest (Luke 10:2)." What does earnest prayer look like?
2. Read Luke 10:17-22. What do the disciples find joy in (v.17) and what does Jesus tell them to take joy in (v.20)? What does Jesus rejoice in (v.21) and how is that instructive for us in missions?
3. Read Psalm 67 together. What is the source of joy in this psalm? What does the psalmist desire? How would you paraphrase this in your own words as a prayer?

## Application Questions

1. We are all natural evangelists for the things we love (ex. our children, food, a certain TV show or book). With that in mind, discuss this quote: "The reason many fail to joyfully proclaim Jesus Christ is because deep down they fail to joyfully adore Him."
2. When was the last time you shared the gospel with someone? Describe that conversation and how you were encouraged by God.
3. What is the difference of a joy-motivated mission than a guilt-motivated mission? How do we cultivate more joy in the Lord and that in which He finds joy?

**Prayer Focus:** There are ~3 billion people in the world who are not Christians. 75% of those live in the top ten least reached countries: India, Pakistan, China, Bangladesh, Indonesia, Japan, Iran, Turkey, Thailand, Nigeria. Take time to pray for each of the countries. Pray for those currently serving there. Pray for more Christians to be sent out from the church to share the hope of Christ in those unreached places.