

## **Disciples in Training** **Luke 9:1-36**

### **I. Commitment to a Mission – 9:1-9**

1. His mission requires authority & power – 1  
It is His mission & only He can accomplish it  
He delegates authority & power to His disciples  
He gave them power over demons and diseases
2. Mission is to proclaim His message – 2  
Proclaim the Kingdom of God  
Healing was to demonstrate it is God's message
3. His messengers trust His provision – 3-4  
Travel light & trust God to provide  
He will provide people to meet their needs
4. Not all will welcome you – 5-9  
Shake the dust off & move on to next town  
Don't be discouraged by rejection  
Jesus was not always accepted  
People did not understand who He was  
John the Baptist, Elijah or another prophet

### **II. Compassion for People – 10-17**

1. They reported to Jesus – 10  
They told Him all that they had done  
He took them to a private place  
To rest and be restored for ministry
2. Crowds of people found them – 11  
Jesus graciously received them  
He taught them & healed their diseases
3. There was a need for food – 12  
Disciples spoke to Jesus about it  
Suggested Jesus send people away for food
4. Jesus challenged them to act – 13  
They only had 5 loaves & 2 fish  
Only solution was to go and buy food
5. Jesus ministered to their need – 14-16  
Had disciples sit the 5,000 in groups of 50  
Blessed the food & gave to disciples to distribute
6. All were filled & 12 baskets remained - 17

### **III. Confession of Christ – 9:18-22**

1. Discipleship must focus on Jesus -18  
It does not focus on us but on our Lord  
Disciples must know who Jesus is
2. Jesus asks a broad question – 18-19  
Who do people say that I am?  
Disciples reflect what they have heard  
John the Baptist, Elijah or one of the prophets  
A prophet of God risen from the dead
3. Focus on the real issue – 20  
Who do you say that I am?  
Peter answers: "The Christ of God"  
"Christ" means "anointed one"  
"The Christ" means "Messiah"  
The promised one who will rule & reign
4. Jesus adds a restraint – 21-22

Charged & commanded them not to tell  
There is more in God's plan yet to be done  
His mission must first deal with human sin  
He must suffer, die and rise again  
Work of redemption must be completed  
The kingdom reign must wait until later

### **IV. Cost of Discipleship – 23-26**

1. Concept of discipleship – 23  
One who follows, learns from another  
That requires denial of self  
Surrender of one's own will  
Take the cross daily  
This speaks of death to self  
And follow the Master  
That is the only way to truly learn from Him
2. Choice of discipleship – 24-25  
If Jesus is the only way to eternal life  
To choose not to follow Him is to lose life  
If choosing Him brings life it is no loss  
Gaining everything else cannot be compared
3. Consequence of choice – 26  
To be ashamed of Him now sets our future  
When He comes in His glory we are shut out  
How can we be ashamed of One who is life

### **V. Constrained by His Glory – 27-36**

1. A promise His Glory – 27  
Some of His disciples would see His glory
2. A preview of His glory – 28-33  
Eight days later Jesus went up a mountain  
Went up to pray, took Peter, James & John  
As He prayed He was transfigured – 29  
His countenance was altered, His robe glistened  
Moses & Elijah talked with Him – 30-31  
Spoke of His impending crucifixion  
Reaction of disciples to this – 32-33  
Stricken with awe – in a deep sleep  
When they awoke they saw His glory  
And they also saw Moses & Elijah  
Peter suggested they erect 3 monuments
3. A voice from Heaven – 34-36  
A cloud appeared & surrounded them  
They were in awe as they entered the cloud  
A voice spoke from the cloud  
This is my beloved Son: hear Him  
After the voice they saw Jesus only  
He is the preeminent one  
Disciple left in silence