# FOLLOWING THE PATH OF JESUS

## A Harmony Of the Gospels

A Daily Devotional Study Guide - Book 2




# *"For God's Glory"*

**Study:** John 9:1-12
**Reading:** Ecclesiastes 10:8-20, Romans 8:18-30
**Memory:** 1 John 2:1

## What Does the Bible Say?

While Jesus was traveling with His disciples, they passed by a man who had been born blind. The natural thinking of the disciples was revealed when they asked Jesus if it was this man's mother or father that had sinned. It had been taught that certain things that happened to children were a direct result of a parents actions. This type of thinking is normally prevalent in an authoritative culture where the leaders attempt to control those under them into submission by promoting the idea that all bad things that happen are a result of disobedience. In a study of Scripture, you can see this thought occurring often. The friends of Job were completely convinced he was suffering because of sin, but he had done nothing wrong. Though it is true that sin has its consequences, it is made clear in many places in Scripture that God allows difficult things to happen to both the evil and the good (vs 1-2).

The response of Jesus amazed the disciples as He told them that neither this man nor his parents had sinned. He then told them that this man was born blind so that God could be glorified through the healing that Jesus was about to perform. Jesus went on further to explain how He must do the works of His Father while He was still in the world. Soon, He would not be light in the world because He would no longer be in the world. Jesus will always provide light to those who trust in Him, but His reference in this passage was explaining how He was not going to be in the world much longer (vs 3-5).

Jesus then spat on the ground and made mud with His spit and put this mud on the man's eyes. We have seen how Jesus healed other men in different ways, and why He chose to heal this man the way He did is not fully clear, but we will see a little later, that Jesus had a purpose for doing what He did. Jesus told the man to go wash his eyes in the pool of Siloam. After the man obeyed, he came back with his sight fully restored. The pool of Siloam was located at the south east end of Jerusalem and was originally made to store the water that was supplied through the tunnel that Hezekiah built. It was surrounded by steps where

people could go in to cool off, wash or bathe (vs 6-7).

When those who knew the man who had been a blind beggar saw him walking around with sight, they couldn't believe their eyes. They thought that this couldn't be the blind man, but just someone who looked like him. When people would ask him, or when he could tell they were talking about him, the formerly blind man kept insisting that he was the man who was blind but could now see. When they asked him what had happened, he described how Jesus had put mud on his eyes and told him to wash in the Pool of Siloam. When they asked him where the man who healed him was, the man declared that he didn't know. Remember, this man had not seen Jesus because Jesus didn't give him immediate healing. Perhaps this is why Jesus did not heal him immediately. We will read tomorrow what events happened because Jesus told him to wash in the pool rather than providing immediate healing (vs 8-12).



Excavations of the Pool of Siloam

## How Does this Apply to Me?

Do you realize that "bad" things happen because God chose for them to happen? Yes, you do face difficulties in your life as a consequence for sin, but many times things happen because it is God's plan to help grow you and mature you. You must remember that your life is not your own and in the scope of all eternity, you are just a tiny part in the whole master plan of God. This doesn't mean you are insignificant, but that God has a special plan for you even if it means things will be difficult in your life. Sometimes difficulties are a sign that you are doing what is right. Realize that God allows things to happen and causes things to happen for His honor and glory and for your ultimate good.



What had Jesus escaped from (8:59)?

What did He see after He had left the temple area (vs 1)?

What does this reveal about Jesus?

****If this all happened in chronological order, men were just trying to kill Him when He took time to stop and help heal a blind man.*

What did His disciples ask Jesus about the blind man (vs 2)?

Why do you think they would ask a question like this?

How have you seen people with similar thinking in society today?

What did Jesus declare about this man's blindness (vs 3)?

What does this reveal about earthly difficulties and the sovereignty of God?

What do you think Jesus meant in verse 4?

****This seems to be a reference to the fact that He would soon be departing from them. Jesus was purposefully mentioning the fact that He was going to be gone in order to help prepare His disciples for His departure.*

How did Jesus choose to heal this blind man (vs 6-7)?

Why do you think Jesus chose to heal the man this way?

****The Pool of Siloam was about 650 yards downhill from the Temple. It is not clear where Jesus was when he told the man to go to the pool, but most likely he was near this pool.*

What did people want to know when they realize he was healed (vs 8-11)?

What didn't this man know (vs 12)? Why not?

# *"Now I Can See"*

**Study:** John 9:13-27
**Reading:** John 8:12-38
**Memory:** 1 John 2:1

Many times on Sunday mornings I will shave without looking in the mirror because the bathroom mirror is fogged up from showering. Since I have a battery powered electric razor, I will often walk around and do other things while I am shaving. When I think I am finished, I will take a quick peak at myself in the semi-fogged mirror and if everything looks good, I think I am done. Many times, when I stop in the church bathroom, I take a closer look at myself in the full light and realize that I missed several spots. What I couldn't see because of the fogged up mirror could now clearly be seen and it often reveals that more work needs to be done.

Today, we are going to read how Jesus came to bring more than physical healing. His main purpose was to bring spiritual healing. We will see how we can testify to others that we were once blind, but now we can see.

## What Does the Bible Say?

It is not exactly clear who it was that took the formerly blind man to the Pharisees, but it appears to be someone who was concerned with keeping the Sabbath. God had commanded to keep the Sabbath day holy and not to work on the Sabbath, but the Pharisees had taken this command a step further and established all types of rules and regulations that needed to be followed on the Sabbath. They considered healing a person to be work and therefore it was a violation of their laws. As the Pharisees questioned the man about his healing, they understood that it was Jesus who had done it and they declared that He had broken the Sabbath and therefore could not be from God. Though some agreed with this assessment, others couldn't buy into what they were saying because they saw first hand the great miracles that Jesus had done and knew that He had to be from God in order to perform so many wonderful things (vs 13-16).

When they asked the blind man what he thought, the man declared



that He thought Jesus was a prophet from God. This witness was a great setback to the Pharisees so they started to discuss whether or not the man had ever been blind. In an attempt to disprove what had happened, they called for the man's parents. They affirmed that their son had been born blind and they did not know how he was able to now see or who it was that brought about this tremendous miracle. They told the Pharisees to talk to the blind man himself since he was plenty old enough for his testimony to stand up in court. On a side note, John described why the parents didn't want to give the credit to Jesus. It was because they were afraid of the religious leaders. Their religion was founded in authority and fear, not love and grace (vs 17-23).

The Pharisees again brought in the blind man and questioned him about Jesus. They wanted this man to discredit Jesus, but the blind man could not. All he knew is that he had been blind from birth and now he could see. They continued to question the man and the man began to be bothered by their questions. It seems that his response was somewhat sarcastic to them as he asked them if they wanted to become disciples of Jesus (vs 24-27).

## How Does this Apply to Me?

Do you get bothered when people you are trying to share Jesus with will not listen to what you are attempting to tell them? Does it frustrate you when they give you all types of excuses that don't fully make sense, but they don't want to admit it? This happens quite often and it is not new. The Pharisees could clearly see that Jesus had done a miraculous thing, but they didn't want to believe it. Instead, they tried harder and harder to find a way to discredit Jesus and His ministry. Though others might do this to you, you can testify like the blind man since you know what Christ has done for you. You were once in spiritual darkness, but now you can spiritually see. Remember that those you are sharing with are in darkness and it is only the Holy Spirit that can help them see the light.

## *Suggestions for Prayer*

* *Thank God for the spiritual sight He has given you.*
* *Ask God to help you boldly witness for Him.*
* *Praise God because He alone can give spiritual sight.*

What did the Pharisees do to the blind man (vs 13)? Why?

Why were they attempting to use this against Jesus (vs 14)?

Why do you think the Pharisees had such a warped view of what could and couldn't be done on the Sabbath (vs 14)?

What did the Pharisees keep questioning this man about (vs 15)?

****We questioned yesterday why Jesus chose to put mud on the eyes of this man. Perhaps one of the reason was to stir the anger of the Pharisees even more because He did not just heal, but he actually did physical work of mixing mud with spit.*

What did the Pharisees start to argue about (vs 16)?

What did they ask the man who had been healed (vs 17)?

What did many of the religious leaders start to question (vs 18)?

What did they do to try to disprove the miracle (vs 18-19)?

What did his parents confirm (vs 20)?

Why were they afraid to answer too many questions (vs 21-22)?

What does having fear of what a religious leader thinks reveal about that religion?

What did they tell the man to do as he testified about Jesus (vs 24)?

How does this reveal a warped understanding of God?

What was the one thing this man could clearly testify about (vs 25)?

How has God done the same for you?

What question did the man ask the Pharisees in verse 27? Why do think he asked this?



# *"The Spiritual Physician"*

**Study:** John 9:28-41
**Reading:** Revelation 3:14-22
**Memory:** 1 John 2:1

My wife's grandmother mistrusted doctors and medicine. This made it quite difficult to get her to the doctor when her skin started to turn yellow. She seemed to be blinded to the fact that her skin was discolored and didn't think that she needed to go to the doctor. It took a while, but once her son sat down with her and told her that she was dying and that if she went to the doctor they might be able to help, she finally decided to go.

Today, we are going to see that many people are sick and dying but are blinded to the fact that they are sick. They are spiritually blind and can not see their sin. They refuse to go to the Great Physician who has the power to heal their soul and give them the hope and freedom they are longing for.

## What Does the Bible Say?

The Pharisees responded to the sarcasm of the formerly blind man by declaring that he was a disciple of Jesus and declared that they were disciples of Moses. It was clear to them that God had spoken to Moses and have given him the law, but they denied the claims that Jesus had come from God. The religious leaders were attempting to downplay the greatness of Jesus because they did not want to believe in Him. This rejection amazed the man who had been blind because his sight was clear evidence that Jesus was God. It was clearly understood through the teaching of the Old Testament that those who did not follow the law of God would not receive power and blessings from God. On the other hand, those who knew Him, obeyed Him and served Him would receive blessings and power from Him. The man who had been blind had no doubt that Jesus received power from God because only God's power could restore the sight of a man who had been born blind (vs 28-33).

Because this man had been born blind, the religious leaders declared that He was born in sin. They would not listen to such a sinner and they threw him out of their presence. When all of this was reported to Jesus,

Jesus sought out the man who had been blind. Once He found him, Jesus asked the man if he believed in the Son of Man. As we have seen before, the term "Son of Man" was a reference to the Messiah. This man was willing and ready to believe, but He had never seen Jesus and didn't really know who Jesus was. Jesus declared to the man that He was the Messiah. The man immediately chose to believe in Jesus and worshiped Him as the Messiah (vs 34-38).

Jesus Christ came into the world to bring judgment to the world. He did not want to condemn anyone, but came to give spiritual sight to those who desired to see. At the same time, those who thought they were able to see would not be able to see because they were spiritually blind. This declaration by Jesus did not settle well with some of the Pharisees who were near Him and overheard Him. They asked if they were also blind. The response of Jesus was convicting and challenging. He told them if they recognized their sin and their need to be delivered from sin, they would not feel the guilt they did. They thought they could see, but could not. They were the ones who were blind. They did feel guilt every time Jesus was around, but wilfully chose to reject Him (vs 39-41).

## How Does this Apply to Me?

Have you ever come to the point in your spiritual life where you realize that you are blind? Have you realized that you were the sick person that Jesus came to heal? Many religious people never accept true salvation because they never reach the point where they feel that they need a spiritual physician. Before a person ever comes to Christ, they must first realize that they are a sinner who has no hope apart from the work of Christ. Once you have realized that and look to Him for your healing, you must also realize that you need His constant healing everyday since you still live in your sinful flesh. The victory that comes in your Christian life does not come through yourself, but comes through the Spiritual Physician who is continually making you whole.

## *Suggestions for Prayer*

* *Thank God for the spiritual healing He has brought into your life.*

## *Thought for the day*

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What did the religious leaders declare to counteract the testimony of the blind man (vs 28)?

Why do you think they would declare this?

What did they say when they compared Moses to Jesus (vs 29)?

How did the blind man respond (vs 30)? Why do you think he said this?

Who did the blind man say God listens to (vs 31)?

How was Jesus so unique (vs 32)?

What did the blind man declare about Jesus (vs 33)?

Why did they chose not to believe the man who had been healed (vs 34)?

What does this reveal about the foolishness of human thinking?

What did Jesus do when He heard they had rejected the blind man (vs 35)?

What did the blind man want to do (vs 36)?

What did Jesus declare about Himself (vs 37)?

How did the blind man respond (vs 38)?

What did Jesus say He came to the world for (vs 39)?

Why did the Pharisees not think they were blind (vs 40)?

What did Jesus declare about their blindness (vs 41)?

What do you think Jesus meant with this statement?

How do you think people are spiritually blind?

How can you avoid being spiritually blind?

# *"I Am the Door"*

**Study:** John 10:1-10
**Reading:** Psalm 23, Jeremiah 24:1-4, Isaiah 56:9-12
**Memory:** 1 John 2:1

Things have changed for many schools over the last 25 years. It used to be that most of the entrances in and out of the school were unlocked so the teachers and students would have several ways to go in and out of the building, but after the many tragic school shootings that have occurred, every school has changed their policies. In most schools, there is only one way in and one way out. This way goes by the secretary's office where they keep a constant watch on everyone who comes in and out of the building to make sure that those who are in the building are safe, and only the ones with permission are allowed to enter.

Today, we are going to see how Jesus declared that He was the door and the only way that people would be allowed to enter into the kingdom of heaven.

## What Does the Bible Say?

Jesus had just stunned many of the religious leaders by describing how they were blinded to the truth and now He was about to tell them that they don't really know God and God does not know them. He used the illustration of a sheepfold to help those listening understand the truth about the kingdom of God. A sheepfold was made up of rocks or branches and was like a fenced in area to keep the sheep in and predators out. There was only one way into the fold and that was through the door. Jesus described how anyone who entered the fold from any other way except through the door would be not be permitted in. The gatekeeper would only open the door for the true shepherd and for those approved by the true shepherd. It wasn't only the gatekeeper though who knew the shepherd, because the sheep knew the shepherd as well. The sheep listened to the voice of the shepherd because they knew his voice and they would be led by his voice. The sheep would not follow a stranger because they wouldn't know the voice of that stranger (vs 1-5).

The meaning of the verse is quite clear, but many of the people did not understand what He was saying so He helped clarify it for them.



Jesus first described how He was the door of the sheepfold. He was the only way for people to enter into the kingdom of God. Those who attempted to enter the sheepfold another way were the false prophets and false teachers, and they were not allowed entrance into the fold. The true sheep (true followers of God), would not listen to them. Jesus was the door, the only way into the kingdom of God. All those who chose to listen to Him would be saved. They would find peace and rest because they would be led by the true Shepherd (vs 6-9).

On the other hand, Satan is pictured as a thief who did not care about the sheep, but sought to steal the sheep so he could take and slaughter them. Satan is out to destroy and harm people, causing them to end up with him in eternal damnation, while Jesus came to give life, abundant life. The life that Jesus offered to all those who would follow Him was more than just an existence, but a life that was full and complete (vs 10).

## How Does this Apply to Me?

Are you experiencing the abundant life that Christ came to give you? The thief is constantly attempting to rob you of your joy and seeking to keep you from the fulness that God desires for you by distracting you with things of this world. The full life doesn't come from the riches or earthly pleasures that this world has to offer. This doesn't mean that you won't have any money or any fun as a follower of Christ, but it does mean that what you have will be that which satisfies rather than the empty riches and pleasures of this world that leave you wanting more. If you are not experiencing the fulness of life that Christ came to give you, it is evidence that you are not looking to Him and trusting Him as the Shepherd of your life. When you look to Him, obey Him and follow His leading, you will find rest for your soul.

### *Suggestions for Prayer*

* *Thank God for the abundant life that He gives.*
* *Ask God to help you follow His leading.*
* *Praise God because He knows how and where to lead you.*

### *Thought for the day*

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How did Jesus begin his speech in verse 1?

Why do you think He began this way?

How did Jesus describe someone who entered the sheepfold anyway other than the door (vs 2)?

Who is the one who had permission to enter by the door (vs 2)?

What relationship does a shepherd have with his sheep (vs 3)?

How does the shepherd lead his sheep (vs 4)?

What will the sheep not do (vs 5)? Why not?

What did John clarify about what Jesus was saying?

Why do you think people had a hard time understanding many of the illustrations that Jesus used?

What did Jesus boldly declare (vs 7)?

How did Jesus describe those who came before Him (vs 8)?

Who do you think this was a reference to?

What will happen for all those who choose to enter by the door (vs 9)?

What is the plan of the thief (vs 10)?

Who do you think the thief is that Jesus is referring to?

****Remember he is talking to the religious leaders. Their religion was actually destroying the people, rather than bringing life.*

What was the purpose of Jesus (vs 10)?

How can you know if you are listening to the voice of the thief or the voice of truth?



# *"The Good Shepherd"*

**Study:** John 10:11-21
**Reading:** Ezekiel 34:1-31
**Memory:** 1 John 2:1

## What Does the Bible Say?



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Jesus had just pictured Himself as the door of the sheepfold, but He is more than just the door, He is also the Good Shepherd Himself. As the Shepherd, He was willing to lay His life down for His sheep. Those who are hired to do a job will not sacrifice their lives for the sheep since they don't care for the sheep like the shepherd does. If a wolf would come, the hired man might try to defend the sheep, but not with his life like the shepherd would. This is because he only cares about getting paid and doing his job, but he doesn't personally care about the sheep (vs 11-13).

The Good Shepherd knows all of His sheep and they are very dear to Him. The sheep also know Him and they cherish and follow their Shepherd. Just as Jesus was known by the Father and the Father had an intimate relationship with Jesus, so Jesus knew His followers and had an intimate relationship with Him. This love was so great that He was willing to lay His life down for His sheep. The relationship between Jesus and His followers is a special one since He is committed to them and they are committed to Him. They are one flock and Jesus will lead the one flock to God. There is no other way to God except to be part of the flock of Jesus and follow His way (vs 14-16).

It was very clear to Jesus that He was going to die for His followers and that is why He emphasized that He was going to lay down His life for His sheep. His life would not be taken from Him, but He willingly chose

to come down to this earth so that He could die for the sins of men. Death would not be the end though, because He was going to rise from the dead and "take it up again." Jesus was the only one who could lay His life down for all the sheep because He was the only One who had authority to do so and was given the charge from His Father to be the living sacrifice for the sins of men (vs 17-18).

The teaching of Jesus once again caused great confusion among those who heard His words. Some of the people proclaimed that Jesus was mad and that He was controlled by a demon, while others rejected that claim since they had seen the miracles that He performed. They could not agree with the fact that a demon possessed person would have such power for good and could speak so clearly (vs 19-21).

## How Does this Apply to Me?

Are you thrilled that Jesus is your Good Shepherd? Do you realize how much Jesus loves you and wants to direct and lead in your life? This passage reveals the great love and care that Jesus has for His followers. The picture of a shepherd who loved and cared for His own sheep reveals how much your Savior watches over you and wants the best for your life. Your God is different than the false gods of the world who have little care for their followers. Religion that is based on fear and guilt is what the thief often uses to steal, kill and destroy. Your God is one who knows you intimately and who will fight for you to keep you safe. It is this understanding that should motivate you to know Him more and sacrifice your life for Him. It should encourage you to follow Him with your whole life as you realize that He will always lead you in the way that is best for you.

### *Suggestions for Prayer*

* *Thank God for being a Shepherd who cares for your soul.*
* *Ask God to help you follow His leading in your life.*
* *Praise God because He is so loving and caring.*

### *Thought for the day*

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What did Jesus declare about Himself (vs 11)?

What was a good shepherd willing to do (vs 11)?

What would a person who is hired to watch the sheep do when they saw their life was in danger because of a wolf (vs 12)?

Why does he act this way (vs 13)?

What relationship does Jesus have with His sheep as their Shepherd (vs 14)?

How can this be a great comfort and assurance to you?

Why do you think Jesus compared the relationship He had with His Father to the relationship He has with His sheep (vs 15)?

What was Jesus willing to do for His followers (vs 15)?

What do you think that Jesus meant when He said that He had other sheep from a different fold (vs 16)?

****This appears to be a reference to the Gentiles. The death and resurrection of Jesus would bring the Jews and Gentiles together into one body.*

What do you think the beginning of verse 17 means?

What was Jesus willing to do (vs 17)?

What did Jesus make clear about His choice to give up His life for His sheep (vs 18)?

Why do you think that Jesus made it clear that this was from the Father (vs 18)?

How did the people respond to this (vs 19-21)?

Why do you think so many had such a hard time believing in Jesus?

# *"The Harvest is Plentiful"*

**Study:** Luke 10:1-8
**Reading:** Matthew 9:35-38. I Timothy 5:17-25
**Memory:** 1 John 2:1

## What Does the Bible Say?

As we seek to go chronologically, there are some passages, like the one today, where it is hard to know exactly where it fits in. We know in John 10 that Jesus was in Jerusalem. We also know that at the end of Luke 10, Jesus is in Bethany near Jerusalem. It appears he sent out the 70 to the areas of Judea, just like He had sent out the 12 to areas of Galilee. Some Greek texts had the number "70" while others have "72." The exact number is not extremely significant, but what is significant is that Jesus sent these men ahead of Him as He was about to travel to the cities and villages around Jerusalem (vs 1).

As Jesus sent out these men, He declared to them that the harvest was plentiful, but there were not enough people to fully reap the harvest. He told His followers to pray that more people would be willing to take part in the harvest and reap the spiritual fruit that was ready to be picked. In Matthew 9:38, Jesus had given this instruction to them before He sent out the twelve. Jesus knew that when they were praying for laborers, they themselves would be more burdened to be a laborer. He also wanted them and us to understand the need to be willing to be continually reaping the harvest (vs 2).

Though the harvest was ripe and ready to be picked, the picking would not always be easy. Jesus was sending them to be lambs among wolves. This would mean that they would be an easy target for the enemy to attack, though with the power they were given, they did not have to be defeated. They were to carry no money or extra possessions with them like sandals or knapsacks. These extra things would slow them down. The idea of not greeting others along the way was not one of being anti-social, but greeting others often included several formalities and could even include a meal or feast. All of this would slow them down and hinder them from the mission that God desired them to accomplish (vs 3-4).

Upon arrival at a home, they were to give the common greeting of "Peace be with this house." The response of the head of the household



would help determine if this was the right house to stay at. If the man responded in a positive way, God's peace would dwell on that house and God would bless the household during the time the men were there. Once they found a house in a city, they were to remain there and not to travel from house to house. While they were there, the people of the house were to feed them, realizing they were doing the work of God and it was a great ministry to take care of God's servants. Though these men wouldn't be "working" to help provide for their needs, they would be providing for the spiritual needs of those in the house and those in the community. This was their "work" though it was not physical labor. They were also commanded not to be picky about what they ate, but were to eat whatever food was provided for them (vs 5-8)

## How Does this Apply to Me?

Though this call was a specific call for the followers of Jesus for a specific period of time, there are still some great lessons to learn. The instructions given here are not requirements for us to follow because they were not given to us. We see that even the apostle Paul worked a side business for a period of time to help meet his needs. Yet, some of the principles are extremely applicable. The first part of the call was one to pray for laborers in the harvest. This is something that you should be doing today and you will find that the more you pray for the harvest, the more you will be burdened to be part of the sowing and reaping process. You can also realize that the work of God will not always be greeted with ease, nor will it always be difficult. Another lesson to learn is a caution against being weighted down with too many earthly goods. This does not mean you can't own anything or have to travel around in poverty, but it does mean that you need to be cautious in not letting the things of this world interfere with what God desires from your life. A last lesson from this passage can be seen in the need to provide for those who spiritually minister to you and others around you. Though they might not have a "real job" as some would put it, they often labor extremely hard to meet the spiritual and emotional needs of those they are ministering too. I Timothy 5:17 says, "Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in preaching and teaching." The context of this "honor" indicates financial provision.

Take time today to think through the part of sowing and reaping that God has called you to be a part of and ask God to show you any areas where you need to think or act differently.

Who did Jesus appoint to go ahead of Him (vs 1)?

How did He send them out (vs 1)?

Why do you think He sent them out this way?

Where were they supposed to go (vs 1)?

What did Jesus declare about the harvest (vs 2)?

Why do you think He pointed out that there were few laborers for such a great harvest (vs 2)?

What did Jesus encourage these men to do (vs 2)?

Do you think you should still be praying for this today? Explain your answer.

What did Jesus say they would be (vs 3)?

What do you think He meant by this?

What were they not to take with them (vs 4)?

Why do you think Jesus told them not to take these things?

Why do you think they were not to greet anyone on the roads (vs 4)?

What were they to declare when they arrived at a house (vs 5)? Why

What do you think verse 6 means?

****They were to offer a blessing to those who lived in the home. If the people received the messengers, they would also receive the blessing.*

What were they not to do (vs 7)? Why not?

Why were they to welcome hospitality (vs 7)?



**Memory Verse**

*1 John 2:1 My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.*