



## **Sent Into the World**

John 17:15-18

**One of the greatest prayers recorded in the bible is the prayer of Jesus when He was praying for his disciples & those that would later become His disciples.**

**In v. 15, Jesus did not pray that the disciples would be taken out of the world (from this earth ), but rather, that they would be protected from the enemy.**

**In v. 18, we are reminded once again that Jesus actually *sent* His disciples into the world. Why? To proclaim the gospel of the death, burial, & resurrection.**

**Jesus sent the disciples into the world to be salt & to be light.**

**Salt to change their surroundings!**

**Light to shine in the darkness of sin!**

**As disciples of Jesus Christ in the 21<sup>st</sup> century Apostolic church, we too have been sent into the world!**

**We are in this world & we are here in this world for a purpose!**

**To be salt! To be light! To be witnesses! To be intercessors!**

**To teach! To baptize! To make new disciples!**

**We are in this world, but we are not of this world.**

**We don't look like, dress like, act like, think like, talk like, walk like, live like, pray like, worship like, believe like everybody else in this world!**

**John 15:19 - "If ye were of the world, the world would love his own, but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you."**

**II Cor. 6:17 - "Wherefore come out from among them and be ye separate ..."**

**Yes, God wants His people to be separated - but not isolated - from the world!**

**Jesus has sent you into the world to reach people in the world!**

**Jesus went to the shores of Galilee to reach James, John, Peter, Andrew.**

**Jesus went to a well in Samaria to reach just one woman.**

**Jesus went to Capernaum to reach the centurion.**

**Jesus went to the country of the Gadarenes to reach the man possessed with the legion of devils.**

**Jesus went to the borders of Tyre & Sidon to reach the Syrophenician woman. As our example - Jesus went! Now, as our Lord & Master - Jesus sent!**

**When was the last time you went to a person to witness to them?**

**How often do you do that? Is that a part of your lifestyle?**

**read Luke 14:16-23**

**This man sent his servants out three different times to get people to go to the feast that he had prepared!**

**This man's feast was nothing compared to the feast that our God serves us!**

**Ps. 23:5 - "Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies, Thou anointest my head with oil, my cup runneth over."**

**Aren't you glad that every time you come to the House of God that He feeds you the Bread of life, & He feeds you spiritually?**

**Aren't you glad that every time you come to the House of God He anoints your head with the oil of the Holy Ghost?**

**Aren't you glad that every time you come to the House of God He blesses you until your cup begins to run over?**

**The blessings of God are plenteous! We need to find people to share them with!**

**How many times did this man send out his servants to invite guest?**

**Was it 3 times in one day? Was it 3 times in one week? I don't know for sure.**

***Personally, I believe it was 3 times in one day.***

**If we have a better feast to invite people to than these servants did, why can't we go out just 3 times a week & invite people to this feast?**

**Would you dare make a commitment to God that you would personally invite people to His feast at least 3 times every week?**

**Or are you satisfied to just have your little cup running over?**

**Remember the prayers of Jesus!**

**- "Don't take them out of the world! Don't let them be isolated & cut off from people in the world that need me! Just protect them from evil!"**

**- "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest."**

**Will you be an obedient servant & go where your master has sent you?**