



the open door ~ praise & worship service
...in a religion born in a barn, an open door goes without saying
06.21.17 • 7:00 pm

welcome & announcements

song "I will Follow"

song "Oceans (Where My Feet May Fail)"

gospel reading Matthew 9:35-10:8 [MSG] Nancy Rohr

35-38 Then Jesus made a circuit of all the towns and villages.
He taught in their meeting places, reported kingdom news,
and healed their diseased bodies,
healed their bruised and hurt lives.
When he looked out over the crowds, his heart broke.
So confused and aimless they were, like sheep with no shepherd.
"What a huge harvest!"
he said to his disciples.
"How few workers!
On your knees and pray for harvest hands!"

The Twelve Harvest Hands

10 1-4 The prayer was no sooner prayed than it was answered.
Jesus called twelve of his followers and sent them into the ripe fields.
He gave them power to kick out the evil spirits
and to tenderly care for the bruised and hurt lives.
This is the list of the twelve he sent:

Simon (they called him Peter, or "Rock"),
Andrew, his brother,
James, Zebedee's son,
John, his brother,
Philip,
Bartholomew,
Thomas,
Matthew, the tax man,

James, son of Alphaeus,
Thaddaeus,
Simon, the Canaanite,
Judas Iscariot (who later turned on him).

5-8 Jesus sent his twelve harvest hands out with this charge:
"Don't begin by traveling to some far-off place to convert unbelievers.
And don't try to be dramatic by tackling some public enemy.
Go to the lost, confused people right here in the neighborhood.
Tell them that the kingdom is here.
Bring health to the sick.
Raise the dead.
Touch the untouchables.
Kick out the demons.
You have been treated generously,
so live generously.

The Word of God to the People of God!
Thanks be to God!

listening for God's message

presentation of the offerings

anthem "God of This City "

song "Trading My Sorrows"

song "You Are Good"

benediction & passing the peace

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