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Scripture

The Lord Jesus appointed seventy-two disciples whom he sent ahead of him in pairs to every town and place he intended to visit. He said to them, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest. Go on your way; behold, I am sending you like lambs among wolves. Carry no money bag, no sack, no sandals; and greet no one along the way. Into whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this household.' If a peaceful person lives there, your peace will rest on him; but if not, it will return to you. Stay in the same house and eat and drink what is offered to you, for the laborer deserves payment. Do not move about from one house to another. Whatever town you enter and they welcome you, eat what is set before you, cure the sick in it and say to them, 'The Kingdom of God is at hand for you.'"

Our Scripture Reflection
In our day of instantaneous social media, people have grown weary of all the fake, angry and depressing news they hear IN ABUNDANCE. Therefore, as Our Lord said, “The harvest is rich”. People are hungry for Good News. As Christians we have plenty to share. All it takes is a loving, humble and generous heart to do so. And as we do so, we must always keep in mind the words of the great Saint Francis of Assisi. As he was sending out a group of friars one day he told them, “Go, preach the Gospel of Jesus and use words only when necessary.”

Food for your Journey

Heir to a wealthy estate, William Borden was already a millionaire in his teens. But his life would soon change after his parents sent him on a trip through Asia, the Middle East and Europe. Borden gained a burden for the lost and traded his life of luxury for the arduous work of a missionary.

A Prayer from the Heart

Dear Jesus, People are hungering for Your Presence, even though it does not seem that way at times. I pray that You use my heart, my words and my actions to reveal Your Presence to those who are tired and fed up with what the world has to offer them. May I convert their lives to You. Amen