

# GROWTH GROUP DISCUSSION

## CONNECT

(If kids are present, invite them to join you for the Connect question.)  
What's your favorite Christmas food and Christmas song?

## LEARN & APPLY

Read **Luke 10:1-16** and describe the scene in your own words.

- How many were sent? How many went together? What was their message, and what were they supposed to do?
- What's one thing in this story that surprises you?
- Jesus sent out a fairly large group, not just the "select few." How does this story speak to feeling unqualified or unready to be sent out by Jesus for something?

Prior to this story, these 72 had heard and seen many things from Jesus. Now Jesus sends them out to do it themselves.

- Describe a time when you learned something by listening and watching. Now describe a time when you have grown or learned by doing. What's good about each?
- How are you growing as a Christian by listening or watching right now?
- How are you growing by doing?

Growth Groups are a great environment for listening, reading, praying, and discussing. Your community can also grow by doing. Does your group already have a service or outreach commitment of some kind? Discuss how Jesus might be sending you outward and growing your group through action.

## PRAY

Jesus, thanks for this time together as a group and your unfailing love for us and the world. We pray for the following people or situations in our lives: \_\_\_\_\_ (time for group members to say a name, short prayer of praise, or request). Amen.