

teaching and healing in all the towns
concern for crowds, like sheep w/o shepherd
pray to God for more workers

Mission of the Twelve (10:1-11:1)

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given authority over unclean spirits
apostles named:
Matthew the tax-collector
Cananaean - Aramaic for zealot

Commissioning of the Twelve (5-15)
restricted to Israelites
message: kingdom of heaven at hand
gracious miracles
dependence on God's provision through hospitality
responsibility of hearers

Coming Persecutions (16-25)
sent like sheep among wolves
persecution by synagogue and government
don't worry about what to say
hated by all, including close relatives
flee persecution
if Jesus persecuted/rejected, so also disciples

Whom to Fear (26-31)
don't fear men, they will be judged
don't hide message
fear God alone
He knows all and values you

Confessing Christ before Men (32-33)
tit for tat

Not Peace but a Sword (34-39)
Jesus' "good news" won't bring immediate peace
even close relatives may be your enemies
trust me with your very life

Rewards (10:40-42, 11:1)
your reception really reflects what they think of
Jesus, and God the Father
no one who does good will lose their reward

Who is Jesus? (11:2-30)

Messengers from John the Baptist (2-19)
John perhaps has begun to have doubts, since Jesus is
not setting up Messianic kingdom right away