

SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR: Proper 6A

Please refer to Guidelines for Children's Addresses in Worship document produced by the LCA Department of Liturgics and Grow Ministries - download guidelines [here](#).

MAIN POINT

Jesus sends us out

SCRIPTURE FOCUS

Jesus said to his disciples, "The harvest is great, but the workers are few. So pray to the Lord who is in charge of the harvest; ask him to send more workers into his fields." (Matthew 9:37-38)

AIDS

Large bowl, confetti or lots of small bits of paper

ADDRESS

Once the children sit down throw a small handful of confetti around the children sitting near you.

Can I have you all help me pick this up and put it back in this bowl?

That didn't take long. That seemed easy didn't it?

Now throw a bigger handful.

This time I only want (choose a volunteer) to pick this all up. How long do you think it will take?

What could we do to make it go faster?

e.g. help them pick it up like the first time

How about we help pick it all up.

Just like Jesus asked his disciples to go into the whole world and tell people about him, he asks us to do the same. He wants us to go and spread his word like this confetti. Tell everyone. But there are so many people in our world who don't know about Jesus so we need everyone who believes in him to help. Just like we helped pick up all the confetti we all need to be telling people about Jesus and how he loves us and has saved us.

PRAYER

Lord Jesus, help us as we go out and share our faith and tell others about your saving love and forgiveness. Help us to work together. Amen.

You may wish to hand out *Growing Faith at Home* or another resource before the children return to their seats.

