

Introduction to Series

- WWJD - What **would** Jesus do?
- WDJD - What **did** Jesus do?
 - explore Luke 9 over coming weeks to unpack that a bit, always with an eye on understanding what Jesus **did** so we might have insight into what he **would do** that we might imitate him
- Illustrate by analogy with a person: what would Malcolm, Crawford, Barbara... do in a given situation

Some Exegetical Background

- Where in Luke does Luke 9 come?
 - his stall has been laid out... but what are folk to do with that?
 - his stall has been laid out... but where is he heading?
 - his stall has been laid out... but who is he really?
- His stall has been laid out:
 - he is proclaiming the kingdom (4:43, 8:1)
 - he is healing and driving out evil
 - he is preaching and teaching, about what God is like and about who he is
 - he is inviting people to follow him
- Luke 9 comes then as a turning point:
 - disciples are sent out, not just drawn to follow
 - full acceptance of his identity, and confirmation of that comes (Peter's confession, the transfiguration)
 - opposition and the interest of those with political power is stirred (9:7-9, 51ff)
 - (go into the place of vs.7-9 here...)

Jesus called the disciples

- They were his, they knew him, they spent time with him, they were followers even if they didn't fully understand everything...

Jesus gave to the disciples

- Gave them power authority!
 - they were not just as they had been

Jesus sent out the disciples

- Not just staying where they were, but going out:
 - not a "come to us"
 - but a "go to them"
- We have a commission, a task, a direction
- *We are called, given and sent also*