

**SUNDAY'S GOSPEL**  
**SUNDAY 15 B—MARK 6:7-13**

**Scripture** | Mark 5: Around the Sea of Galilee: 1-20 Gerasene demoniac; Daughter of Jairus, Woman with haemorrhage 21-43 Mark 6 Jesus in Galilee: at Nazareth 1-6 **Around the villages, calling of the Disciples** 7-13 Death of John the Baptist 14-29 Feeding of the 5000 30-44, Walking on the water 46-52, Healings 53-56.

**Liturgy** | Sunday 14 Mk 6:1-6 Back in Nazareth  
Sunday 15 Mk 6:7-13 Sending out the Twelve  
Sunday 16 Mk 6:30-44 Feeding of the Five Thousand

He was going round the villages teaching. And he calls near to him the Twelve, and began to send them forth, two by two, and he gave to them authority over the unclean spirits. And he **gave to them the message** that

παρήγγειλεν parēngeilen from par=near+aggelo=to give a message. Has the same word at its core as Euangelion, Good News, Gospel.

they should take nothing for the journey except a staff only; no bread, no bag, no coins in their belt; but wearing sandals, and they were **not to wear a second tunic.**

A chiton, tunic, is an undergarment (usually), for under a cloak. This is what the soldiers cast lots for at the Crucifixion. If you have two, you can be warm at night, but if you only have one, you are dependent on others for shelter.

And he said to them, Whenever you enter a house, **abide** there until you move on from that place. And whatever place will not **welcome** you nor hear you,

Menein, abide, remain, make one's home with.

departing from there shake off the dust under your feet

δέξεται dexētai, from dechomai. To receive, to welcome, to give hospitality to.

Martyrion, witness, testimony.

for a **witness** against them. **[Amen, Amen I say to you, it will be more tolerable for Sodom or Go-**

This line is in Matthew 10, where the same thing happens, and in some later (5th cent) texts of Mark, but not in one from before that.

**morrah in the day of judgement than for that**

**town.]** And having gone out, they preached that there should be repentance. And they were casting out many

demons, and anointing with oil many sick people and healing them.

### **Jerusalem Bible**

Jesus made a tour round the villages, teaching. Then he summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

### **Revised Standard Version**

And he went about among the villages teaching.

And he called to him the twelve, and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not put on two tunics. And he said to them, "Where you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. And if any place will not receive you and they refuse to hear you, when you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet for a testimony against them."

So they went out and preached that men should repent. And they cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many that were sick and healed them.