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- We are sent into a particular _____ in a particular way (vv. 3-4).
- Our best introduction is always _____ (vv. 5-7).
- As we enter our communities, we should always approach as _____ (vv. 8-9).

The Story We Tell Ourselves...

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- Do you feel the world is “out to get you”?
- The greatest danger with the world is not its capacity to _____ us, but its potential to _____ us.

A New Kind of Story...

- The way of Christ is not isolation but _____. For that, a new way of thinking is necessary.

- Sharing the good news involves _____ others of the new government of God by:

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- Bringing peace vv. 5-6
- Practicing hospitality vv. 7-8
- Blessing the community v. 9

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- We are sent into a particular environment in a particular way (vv. 3-4).
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