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Evangelii Nuntiandi Part 1: THE EVANGELIZATION MESSAGE **Saturday, January 20, 2024**

MT 10: 5-15

“Jesus sent out these twelve after instructing them thus, “Do not go into pagan territory or enter a Samaritan town. Go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, make this proclamation: ‘The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, drive out demons. Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give. Do not take gold or silver or copper for your belts; no sack for the journey, or a second tunic, or sandals, or walking stick. The laborer deserves his keep. Whatever town or village you enter, look for a worthy person in it, and stay there until you leave. As you enter a house, wish it peace. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; if not, let your peace return to you. Whoever will not receive you or listen to your words—go outside that house or town and shake the dust from your feet. Amen, I say to you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town”.

Questions

1. What is the central message of evangelization? How is it related to human experience and where is it leading to?
2. What is the “liberation” that the Church proclaims? How is that different from the political ideologies?
3. How did Jesus make his proclamation of the Good News credible before others? What does bring credibility to our message?
4. How can we convince others that the Kingdom of God is a fundamental matter and the reason of our existence?