

# Luke 6:17

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And he came down with them, and stood in the plain, and the company of his disciples, and a great multitude of people out of all Judaea and Jerusalem, and from the sea coast of Tyre and Sidon, which came to hear him, and to be healed of their diseases;

## Analysis

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He came down with them stood in plain and company his disciples great multitude people out all Judaea Jerusalem seacoast Tyre Sidon which came hear him healed diseases. Came down kataba mountain. Stood estē. In plain topou pedinou level place. Company ochlos company. Disciples mathētōn learners. Great multitude plēthos poly large crowd. Out of ek from. All Judaea Ioudaias. Jerusalem Ierousalēm. Seacoast paraliou coast. Tyre Tyrōu. Sidon Sidōnos Phoenician cities Gentile territory. Came ēlthon traveled. Hear akousai listen teaching. Healed iasthenai cured. Diseases nosōn sicknesses. Jesus fame spreading beyond Israel. Gentiles coming. Foreshadows Gentile mission. Crowds mixed motives hearing teaching receiving healing. Reformed theology recognizes mixed motives in coming to Christ. Eventually many will fall away when teaching becomes hard.

## Historical Context

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Geography shows spread. Judaea south. Jerusalem center. Tyre Sidon north Gentile coast. Jesus attracting wide audience. Sermon Plain (Luke 6:17-49) parallels Sermon Mount (Matthew 5-7). Same occasion different angle or different occasions similar teaching. Crowds pressed to touch Jesus (v. 19). Desperation for healing. Jesus taught and healed addressing both spiritual physical needs. Not all stayed.

John 6 many left when teaching became difficult. Seeds different soils parable explains mixed responses. Early church experienced same crowds varying commitments. Modern church megachurch crowds versus committed disciples. Difference between consumers and disciples. Need move people from crowds to commitment.

## **Related Passages**

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**Matthew 25:31** — Final judgment

**Romans 2:1** — Judging others

## **Study Questions**

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1. What does crowds coming from wide geography including Gentile regions foreshadow about gospel mission?
2. How should church address mixed motives of those who come for benefits versus genuine discipleship?

## Interlinear Text

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καὶ	καταβὰς	μετ'	αὐτῶν,	ἔστη	ἐπὶ	τόπου	πεδινοῦ
And	he came down	with	him	and stood	in	G5117	the plain
G2532	G2597	G3326	G846	G2476	G1909		G3977
καὶ	ὄχλος	μαθητῶν	αὐτῶν,	καὶ	πλῆθος	πολὺ	τοῦ
And	the company	disciples	him	And	multitude	a great	G3588
G2532	G3793	G3101	G846	G2532	G4128	G4183	
λαοῦ	ἀπὸ	πάσης	τῆς	Ἰουδαίας	καὶ	Ἱερουσαλὴμ	καὶ
of people	of	all	G3588	Judaea	And	Jerusalem	And
G2992	G575	G3956		G2449	G2532	G2419	G2532
τῆς	παραλίου	Τύρου	καὶ	Σιδῶνος	οἱ	ἦλθον	
G3588	from the sea coast	of Tyre	And	Sidon	which	came	
	G3882	G5184	G2532	G4605	G3739	G2064	
ἀκοῦσαί	αὐτῶν,	καὶ	ἰαθῆναι	ἀπὸ	τῶν	νόσων	αὐτῶν,
to hear	him	And	to be healed	of	G3588	diseases	him
G191	G846	G2532	G2390	G575		G3554	G846

## Additional Cross-References

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**Matthew 11:21** (Parallel theme): Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes.

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