

Being A Disciple Of Jesus Christ Luke 6:12-19

1. He Chose His disciples after listening to the Father.

"You did not choose Me but I chose you, and appointed you that you would go and bear fruit..."
John 15:16

"No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up on the last day."
John 6:44

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2. He wanted His disciples to be His.

"Just as the Father has loved Me, I have also loved you; abide in My love."
John 15:9

"The Lord your God is in your midst, A victorious warrior. He will exult over you with joy, He will be quiet in His love, He will rejoice over you with shouts of joy."
Zephaniah 3:17

"The wind blows where it wishes and you hear the sound of it, but do not know where it comes from and where it is going; so is everyone who is born of the Spirit."
John 3:8

- Security
- Identity
- Purpose

3. He planned that the key to "discipleship" would be that His disciples would walk with Him.

"A student is not above his teacher; but everyone, after he has been fully trained, will be like his teacher."
Luke 6:40

4. He commissioned His disciples to Kingdom ministry, not to create big churches.

The Kingdom of God is the complete rule of God in & over every area of our life.

From that time Jesus began to preach and say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."
Matthew 4:17

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."
Matthew 5:3

"For I say to you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven."
Matthew 5:20

Jesus said, "Pray, then, in this way: 'Your kingdom come. Your will be done, On earth as it is in heaven...'"
Matthew 6:9-10

Questions for this week:

I. For Starters:

1. Tell about a time that you remember that you were chosen first or last by your peers. (Example- to play basketball, for an award, for class president)
2. What does it mean to you that God chose you to be His and to be in His ministry?
3. What is the toughest thing for you at times being a disciple of Jesus Christ?

II. Overview of Scripture

1. Read Luke 6:12-19. What is the main point of the passage?
2. What did Jesus do before He selected the disciples? (12)
3. Why do you think he prayed so long?
4. Why do you suppose He went on top of the mountain?
5. What are the people called who are following Him? (13)
6. From what group did He choose the 12 to "be with Him"? (13)
7. What information do we gain just from reading the list of the disciples? (14-16)
8. Since the leader was always named first, what do we know about Peter?
9. We know that Peter was presumptuous, competitive, at times very arrogant etc... what were some of his raw "good" qualities that you remember from Scripture?

III. Growing Deeper

1. Review Sunday's message with someone.
2. What might be accomplished in spending a night or long period of time in prayer that may not be accomplished in a quick prayer time?
3. What does this passage reveal to you about making decisions?
4. Pray for one another and for someone who needs Christ.