

WHO IS THIS MAN?

TWELVE UNLIKELY MEN

Mark 3:13-19 Jeff Schreve

And He went up on the mountain and summoned those whom He Himself wanted, and they came to Him. And He appointed twelve, so that they would be with Him and that He could send them out to preach, and to have authority to cast out the demons.

Mark 3:13-15

What do we learn from the choosing of the twelve?

1. Jesus chooses those He wants.

A. He chooses twelve disciples for the twelve tribes of Israel.

"You are those who have stood by Me in My trials; and just as My Father has granted Me a kingdom, I grant you that you may eat and drink at My table in My kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel." Luke 22:28-30

B. He chooses in a way we would not.

For consider your calling, brethren, that there were not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble; but God has chosen the foolish things of the world to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to shame the things which are strong, and the base things of the world and the despised God has chosen, the things that are not, so that He may nullify the things that are, so that no man may boast before God. 1 Corinthians 1:26-29

2. Jesus chooses those to be with Him and work with Him.

A. He wants us to spend time with Him and learn from Him.

"Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and YOU WILL FIND REST FOR YOUR SOULS. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light." Matthew 11:28-30

B. He wants us to live together in unity.

Behold, how good and pleasant it is for brothers to dwell together in unity! Psalm 133:1

C. He wants us to share and exercise authority in His name.

*You are from God, little children, and have overcome them;
because greater is He who is in you than He who is in the
world. 1 John 4:4*

3. Jesus chooses those to fulfill His calling.

A. We don't all have the same opportunities or abilities.

B. We can all earn the same reward or forfeit our reward.

What are you doing with the Lord's call on your life?