



The Life of Jesus

A CHRONOLOGICAL STUDY

Lesson 35: Are You a Good Andrew? Thoughts from Choosing the Twelve Mark 3:7-19; Matthew 12:17-21; Luke 6:12-16

I. Mark 3:7-12

A. v.7 - Why withdraw?

1. v.6: *The Pharisees went out and immediately held counsel with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.*

B. v.11 - The evil spirits knew precisely who He was (PS - they still do)

II. Matthew 12:17-21

A. Taken from Isaiah 42:1-4

1. The 1st “Song of the Suffering Servant”

2. Other three are: Isaiah 49:1-7, Isaiah 50:4-11, Isaiah 52:13-53:12

III. Luke 6:12-13

A. *mathetes* and *apostolos*

1. *mathetes* - from a verb meaning “to learn” - 269 times in the NT

2. *apostolos* - 81 times in the NT - only 10 times in the Gospels - Acts uses the term 28 times

3. What is the difference? Apostles saw Jesus and were called by Him - It’s why Paul had his road to Damascus time

B. Jesus’ all-night prayer - Why?

➤ Religious leaders now plotting to kill Him

- Political leaders have joined the fight
- Crushed by the crowds who want to be fixed
- What is He starting to build? His Bride the church

IV. Mark 3:14-19

A. vv.14-15 - For what purpose are they set apart?

1. Preach - spreading the Gospel
2. Cast out demons - Protection

B. There are different orders except Peter is always listed first, Philip is 4th and James son of Alphaeus is 9th

C. Why Judas? Did Jesus know about him?

1. How did apostles cast out demons when Judas was full of one? John 6:66-7

2. Luke 22:1-6; 21-23

3. What we know:

- God is sovereign
- OT prophesy of betrayal to be fulfilled
- Evil is evil even if you hang out with Jesus
- Money really is root of all evil
- Jesus had to go to the cross

D. The Choosing of the Twelve

1. It was Jesus' will as the Son of Man - His sovereignty - They didn't apply

2. He chose after a night on the mountain with the Father - Even Judas?

3. He chose only 12 – Why?

4. 4. They were typical men – why? (Dwight L. Moody, Charles Haddon Spurgeon, John Bunyan – none of them went to seminary or college)

E. Three Stages of the 12 Apostles' Development

1. Accepted the call.

2. Ambassadors to Israel – Matthew 10:5-6

3. Apostleship complete with the Holy Spirit

V. Are You a “Good Andrew”?

1. Andrew is always bringing people to Jesus - Peter, the boy with the loaves/fishes, Greeks with Philip
2. Yet he doesn't make the cut in the “Big Three” (Peter, James, John) - Transfiguration; Jairus' daughter; prayer at Gethsemane
3. Would you keep playing 2nd fiddle?

VI. My “Take Aways”

- Jesus can use any of us with any of our skills
- Apostleship matures with the work of the Holy Spirit
- There is a leadership structure
- When did I spend all night praying before a big decision? Or at all?
- Am I a disciple or an apostle?

Questions? Comments? Thoughts?
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FOUR LISTS OF APOSTLES OF CHRIST in the order listed by the writers

Matthew 10:2-4		Mark 3:16-19	Luke 6:12-19	Acts 1:13
Simon	brothers	Simon	Simon	Peter
Andrew		James	Andrew	James
James	brothers	John	James	John
John		Andrew	John	Andrew
Philip		Philip	Philip	Philip
Bartholomew		Bartholomew	Bartholomew	Thomas
Thomas		Matthew	Matthew	Bartholomew
Matthew		Thomas	Thomas	Matthew
James son of Alphaeus		James son of Alphaeus	James son of Alphaeus	James son of Alphaeus
Thaddaeus		Thaddaeus	Simon the Zealot	Simon the Zealot
Simon the Cananaean		Simon the Cananaean	Judas, son of James	Judas, son of James
Judas Iscariot		Judas Iscariot	Judas Iscariot	