

Bible Study Questions

The Twelve – Mark 3:7-19

Focus

From out of the chaos and brokenness of the world, Jesus – the Son of God – sovereignly and graciously begins to form a new community of people for the sake of enjoying fellowship with Him and ministering to this broken world.

Read

[Mark 3:7-19](#)

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CCNYC teaching on Mark 3 which can be found on our [website](#)

As you study this passage on your own or with a small group of others, here are some questions for study, reflection, and application.

Opening Questions

1. How much time have you spent this past week reflecting on Jesus and the hope of the gospel? How has reflecting on Him been of help to you? What have you learned?

Some Questions for Study and Reflection

2. How would you describe the scene in verses 7-12?
3. How does the scene in verses 7-12 compare with the scene in verses 13-19?
4. On what basis did Jesus choose these 12 men to be His disciples?
5. What might be the significance of verses 13-19 taking place on a mountain?
6. Think through the fact that Jesus called, appointed/made, and named them. What does that tell you about the nature of this relationship they have with Him?
7. Look at the names of those whom Jesus called. What do you learn about these men?

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Closing Reflection and Application

8. When you think about the church in general, what are some questions you have about it and does a passage like this give you a sense of excitement about the church? Why or why not?
9. In this section we see Jesus withdrawing from the world and calling specific people to Him, but then we see Him sending them back into the world. What might be some of the implications of that pattern for us as we consider both the nature and mission of the church today?
10. Jesus doesn't simply call the disciples to go and do ministry, He also calls them to be with Him. As you think about what it means for you to be a disciple of Jesus, is it true for you that discipleship is a relationship before it's a task? If so, how so? If not, why not?
11. In what ways can and should we today as Jesus' disciples carry out this ministry of preaching and casting out demons? (And in what way are their similarities and dissimilarities between our ministry today and the ministry of the apostles?)
12. The disciples listed here are very different in terms of their personality, their social background, and their political allegiances, and yet they were unified in Jesus. In what ways is it appropriate to strive for diversity in the church today? How can that be accomplished such that we have unity in the midst of our diversity? (What might be some wrong ways of striving for diversity?)
13. In what ways have you seen the gospel unite together people who are otherwise very different?
14. Do you find it difficult to love others in our church who are, for example, politically different than you? How might you go about loving them better?
15. Overall, what are some principles from this passage related to the church, ministry, and discipleship that you can take with you and begin to apply to your life?