FOLLOW ME: MADE BY JESUS MESSAGE 3

DISCIPLESHIP: WITH HIM BEFORE SENT BY HIM

COMPLETED NOTES / MARK 3:13–19

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CONNECTION TO MESSAGES 1–2

Jesus knows Simon (John 1:42). Jesus calls Simon (Luke 5 / Matthew 4:19). Jesus forms Peter through life with Himself (Mark 3:14).

BIG IDEA

Jesus calls imperfect people to be with Him, forms them through relationship with Him, and sends them into His mission under His authority.

WITH HIM BEFORE SENT BY HIM. PRESENCE BEFORE PERFORMANCE. FORMATION BEFORE MISSION.

PETER'S STORY SO FAR

• Jesus knows Simon. Jesus calls Simon. Jesus forms Peter through life with Himself.

• The Twelve signal that Israel's promised restoration arrives in and through her Messiah.

I. JESUS CHOOSES BEFORE HIS DISCIPLES ACHIEVE. (v. 13)

• Jesus takes the initiative in calling the Twelve.

• He summons "those whom He Himself wanted."

• Calling is **grace**, not recognition of achievement.

• Jesus chooses men He intends to form.

Calling begins what Christ intends to make of us.

II. JESUS CALLS US TO PRESENCE BEFORE PERFORMANCE. (v. 14a)

• Jesus appoints them first: TO BE **WITH HIM**.

• And then: TO BE **SENT BY HIM**.

• Being with Jesus is not inactivity; it is **formation**.

• Peter's classroom is Jesus Himself.

• Peter learns by listening, watching, questioning, failing, being corrected, and continuing to follow.

Before Peter could do anything for Jesus, he had to learn to be with Jesus.

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III. JESUS SENDS HIS DISCIPLES UNDER HIS AUTHORITY. (vv. 14b-15)

• Jesus calls, forms, and sends them.

• Jesus gives them authority.

• Their authority is **delegated**, not independent.

• COME > BE WITH > BE FORMED > BE SENT

IV. JESUS NAMES PEOPLE ACCORDING TO HIS TRANSFORMING PURPOSE. (v. 16)

• John 1:42: "You are Simon … you shall be called Cephas."

• Mark 3:16: Simon, to whom He gave the name Peter.

• Jesus named him Peter not because Simon had already become steady, but because grace had not finished with him.

• Peter is prominent. Jesus is **preeminent**.

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V. BEING NEAR JESUS IS NOT THE SAME AS TRUSTING JESUS. (vv. 17-19)

• Judas heard Jesus teach, saw His works, and participated in ministry.

• Proximity to Jesus is not the same as **trusting** Jesus.

• Peter also fails terribly.

• Two called disciples will fail Jesus terribly, but their failures will not have the same ending.

REFLECTION & APPLICATION

1. Am I actually with Jesus, or merely doing things associated with Jesus?

2. Is His Word forming me, or am I simply accumulating biblical information?

3. Am I serving under Christ's authority, or relying primarily on ability and technique?

4. When I fail, do I run from Jesus, or return to the One who called me?

Before Jesus sends Peter to speak for Him, Peter must learn to stay with Him.

FOLLOW HIM - AND LET HIM MAKE YOU

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