

Hear the Call
Mark 3:13-19

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I. Need to get away? Mark 3:13

What a great example for us; when pressured, tired, burnt out or just simply needing to get away; we must take undisturbed, private time, with the Lord in prayer and _____ with Him.

- If you are pressured, tired, burnt out or just simply needing to get away; maybe it is a sign that you need to be alone and _____ on your Heavenly Father, as well.

II. The special call. Mark 3:14-15

If you can discern what your greatest joy is, what you believe is a real need in our world, and find where the two _____; you will begin to understand God's calling in your life.

- Jesus had communion with, and prayed all night to the Father; then He was able to do the _____ of the Father choosing people who, we would have probably overlooked.

The Apostle's **power** came from the King of the kingdom giving His royal _____ and authority to His representatives.

III. The good, the bad, and the ugly. Mark 3:16-19

How would you like to be _____ as a person who told others about Jesus and that you often spoke to Jesus as well?

- A man once asked a theologian, "Why did Jesus choose Judas Iscariot to be his disciple?" The teacher replied, "I don't know, but I have an even harder question: Why did Jesus choose _____?"

Jesus will _____ people like these men, people like you and me, to send us out, filled with His Holy Spirit to reach the world.

IV. Characteristics of the called.

1. A person must be called by Jesus and _____ they are called.
2. A person must _____ to the call from the Lord.
3. A person must stay _____.
4. A person must stay _____.
5. A person must stay _____.

Christians are to respond to the Lord and _____ through His Spirit, what our specific call is; because every Christ follower has a specific call for their life.

Small Group Discussion

Looking back at your notes from this week's sermon, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

1. Read **Mark 3:13**. Before Jesus called the twelve Disciples, He went up on a mountain to pray and spend some time with His Father (**Luke 6:12-16**). Discuss the importance of Christ followers spending time with the Lord, not only before decisions have to be made, but also for times of refreshing with God.
Luke 5:15-16, Psalm 119:15-16, Psalm 145:18, Matthew 6:33, Hebrews 10:24-25
2. Read **Mark 3:14-15**. What does it mean to be called by the Lord? Discuss the difference between the call of the Apostles and the universal call for Christians.
Acts 1:8, Matthew 28:18-20, 1 Corinthians 7:17, Philippians 3:12-14
3. Do you know what the Lord has called you to? If so, what do you believe your call is? Do you know how to discover your calling?
Romans 12:1-2, 1 Corinthians 4:2
4. Read **Mark 3:16-19**. Discuss what you remember about the twelve Apostles. If it were up to you; would you have chosen these men? Why or why not?
John 14:1-6, John 20:27-28, John 14:22-23, John 18:8-11
5. Read **1 Corinthians 1:26-27**. Discuss the characteristics of the called from point IV. of the sermon note sheet.
Philippians 2:1-4, Ephesians 4:1-6, 1 Peter 5:5, James 4:10, James 4:6, Isaiah 42:8, Romans 11:29