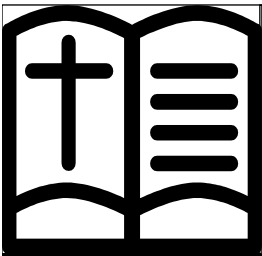


“ENLISTMENT”

Mk 1:16-20; Mat 4:18-22

I. ENLISTING A LEADERSHIP TEAM

- A. *A community of called and chosen people*
- B. *Men who will be brought to the Christ and taught by Him to lead His people after He leaves the earth*
- C. *Disciples whom the Father is drawing to and giving to the Lord Jesus Christ as His own peculiar treasure*
- D. *Ordinary folk who are chosen by grace and love, not by merit*
- E. *Followers who will be transformed by Him through the new birth, create and manage the community and learn to lead after a godly manner*
- F. *Trusters who will receive the revelation of the mystery of God through the Holy Spirit*
- G. *A team of those who believe Him He will put in union with Him that their time to Him may be divine and eternal; they will be one with Him*
- H. *The leadership team will learn from Him and be empowered by the Holy Spirit to do the same work as Him in His absence*
- I. *A privileged group of believers who have personal access to the teachings of Jesus that others do not have*
- J. *Jesus sees what the Father shows Him; He calls them and they follow Him; this is the call of the rabbi - it is honorable, the joy of one's parents.*



II. TRAINING A LEADERSHIP TEAM

- A. *“I will make you to be fishers of men...”*
- B. *It would be 24/7 on-the-job-training as they followed Him and lived with Him; they will know His life intimately; it will be practical and heavenly*
- C. *Rabbinical training meant doing whatever the master said to do; it meant repeating his words and asking appropriate questions; it was memorizing what he taught and putting it into practice*
- D. *He would convince them of His PERSON; He will show them God in the flesh; He will teach them of the Father and prove His own authority/power as God*
- E. *He would show them His WORK; when He was gone they would be doing that work*
- F. *Explaining plainly and understandably His TEACHINGS; they would be repeating those teachings to others later, they must be accurate*
- G. *They will all be living among the people not in a special school somewhere detached from real life; they will learn in the context of living; they will watch Him live it in the presence of people*
- H. *Learning how to read, interpret and apply the Scriptures of the TANAKH*
- I. *He would expose the world of spiritual warfare and demonstrate His authority over it*

HEALTH TIP: “BINGEING” ON JESUS

Good health means devouring good food daily at each meal
Read passages of Scripture that speak of Jesus 3x daily
Thank the Father in Jesus’ name for large and small
Pray without ceasing, “Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God...”