Lesson Six: Who Are These Disciples?

*(extracted from His Name is Jesus by Jack Hayford)*

1. **THE TWELVE**
2. What are their names? (Luke 6:14-16)
3. Among the Twelve are two named Simon. What is the political affiliation of the second Simon? (Luke 6:15)
4. What additional name does Jesus later give to John? (Mark 3:17)
5. As was common among first-century Jews, “Judas *the son* of James” (Luke 6:16) has a second name. What is it? (Mark 3:18)
6. Matthew also has another name. What is it? (Mark 2:14) What is his occupation when called? (Matthew 10:2)
7. Who among the Twelve are brothers? (Matthew 10:2)
8. What is one of Jesus’ primary reasons for calling disciples? (Matthew 4:19)

*Read Luke 22:28-30.*

1. For what does He commend them? (v. 28)
2. What does He confer on them? (v. 29)
3. What does He promise them? (v. 30)
4. **THEIR TRAINING**
5. According to Matthew 5:1-7:29, what is one way in which He educates them?
6. According to Matthew 13:10-11, what is another method He uses?
7. According to Mark 6:45-52, what is one way He teaches them to trust in God amidst adverse conditions?
8. Before commissioning them to ministry on their own, what is one way Jesus initiates them into ministering the miraculous? (Mark 6:30-44)
9. Read the following scriptures and note what character deficiency He addresses or what character trait He wants to see develop.
10. Luke 9:49-50
11. Luke 9:51-56
12. Mark 10:35-45
13. Jesus desires that we serve Him as grateful, humble servants, not that we come to Him seeking opportunities for personal advancement. So important is this, and so difficult for the human ego to grasp, that Jesus demonstrates it again during His final Passover meal (John 13:1-20). What does the Master demonstrate?
14. How does Luke summarize the conditions of discipleship? (Luke 14:26-27, 33)
15. This being the case, what does Jesus instruct would-be disciples to do? (Luke 14:28-32)
16. What else can we learn about discipleship from Matthew 10:24-25?
17. What is the difference between “bearing one’s cross” and resisting the devil? (James 4:7)
18. How can we discern the difference between “taking up our cross” (Matthew 10:38) and standing against the wiles of the devil? (Ephesians 6:10-13)
19. **THEIR COMMISSION**

*Read Matthew 10:1-15 and note the following:*

1. What does Jesus give the Twelve to fulfill their commission? (v. 1)
2. To whom are they to minister? (v. 6)
3. What is the primary purpose of their commissioning? (v. 7)
4. What is to attend their proclamation? (v. 8)
5. The Twelve are not to profit from their mission (vv. 8-10), but what are they to receive? (v. 10)
6. How must they respond to a rejection of the message? (v. 14)

*Read Luke 10:1-20 and note the following:*

1. What is their twofold commission? (v. 9)
2. Why are they able to speak and do these things? (v. 16)
3. What do they encounter on their mission and what is their response? (v. 17)
4. What does Jesus indicate that this signifies? (v. 18)
5. Though proclamation and demonstration of the kingdom are exciting, Jesus warns them and us to not lose sight of God’s ultimate priority. What is of paramount importance to God? (v.20)