* **…FAITHFULLY FULFILL “3” RESPONSIBILITIES.**

***13****Jesus went up on a mountainside and called to him those he wanted, and they came to him.****14****He appointed twelvethat they might* ***be with him*** *and that he might send them out to* ***preach******15****and to have* ***authority*** *to drive out demons.* Mark 3:13-15

***16****These are the twelve he* ***appointed****: Simon (to whom he gave the name Peter),****17****James son of Zebedee and his brother John (to them he gave the name Boanerges, which means “sons of thunder”),****18****Andrew, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thomas, James son of Alphaeus, Thaddaeus, Simon the Zealot****19****and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.* Mark 3:16-19

**KEY***:* Disciples not chosen because of **WHO THEY WERE** but who God could **MAKE THEM BECOME!**

### …KNOW THAT YOU’LL BE MISUNDERSTOOD – EVEN YOUR FAMILY.

***21****When his familyheard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, “He is out of his mind.”* ***22****And the teachers of the law who came down from Jerusalem said, “He is possessed by Beelzebul! By the prince of demons he is driving out demons.”* Mark 3:20-21

***24****If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand…****28****Truly I tell you, people can be forgiven all their sins and every slander they utter,****29****but whoever* ***blasphemes*** *against the Holy Spirit will* ***never be forgiven****; they are guilty of an eternal sin.”* ***30****He said this because they were saying, “He has an impure spirit.”* Mark 3:24-30

***31Then Jesus’ mother and brothers*** *arrived. Standing outside, they sent someone in to call him.****32****A crowd was sitting around him, and they told him, “Your mother and brothers are outside looking for you.”* ***33****“Who are my mother and my brothers?” he asked.* ***34****Then he looked at those seated in a circle around him and said, “Here are my mother and my brothers!****35Whoever does God’s will is my brother and sister and mother****.”* Mark 3:31-35

**KEY: While earthly relationships are important, spiritual relationships are eternal.**

**MARK Chapter 3: JESUS WANTED HIS 12 DISCIPLES TO…**

* **…VIEW THE BIBLE AS A MIRROR, NOT BINOCULARS.**

*Another time Jesus went into the synagogue, and a man with a shriveled hand was there.****2****Some of them were looking for a reason to accuse Jesus, so they* ***watched him closely****to see if he would heal him on the Sabbath.*

***3****Jesus said to the man with the shriveled hand, “Stand up in front of everyone.”* Mark 3:1-3

**KEY: Followers of Jesus Use Scripture as a Mirror – To Examine “self”.**

**Paul**: *Everyone ought to* ***examine themselves****before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup.* 1 Corinthians 11:28

**Jesus**: ***3****“Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother’s eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye?...*  ***5****You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother’s eye.* Matthew 7:3-5

***4****Then Jesus asked them, “Which is lawful on the Sabbath: to do good or to do evil, to save life or to kill?” But they remained silent.* ***5****He looked around at them in* ***anger and, deeply distressed at their stubborn hearts****, said to the man, “Stretch out your hand.” He stretched it out, and his hand was completely restored.* Mark 3:4-5

**KEY: Our Godliness Is Measured By OUR Obedience To Word Of God,**

**Not By Our Adherence To Man-Made Rules & Traditions.**

***6****Then the Pharisees went out and began to plot with the Herodians how they might kill Jesus.* Mark 3:6

* **…GET ALONE WITH HIM.**

***7****Jesus* ***withdrew with his disciples*** *to the lake, and a large crowd from Galilee followed.****8****When they heard about all he was doing, many people came to him from Judea, Jerusalem, Idumea, and the regions across the Jordan and around Tyre and Sidon.* Mark 3:7-8

**Key:** Disciples take time to get alone with Jesus from the noise of crowd.

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