

# Jesus Twelve Disciples (Part 07 - Matthew)

(Mark 3:13-19)

## I. Twelve disciples of Jesus

(a). Teacher mentions the names of Jesus' 12 disciples and asks the children to recall the names:

- ▶ Simon Peter           ▶ James           ▶ John           ▶ Andrew           ▶ Philip           ▶ Bartholomew
- ▶ Matthew           ▶ Thomas       ▶ James son of Alphaeus   ▶ Thaddaeus   ▶ Simon the Zealot   ▶ Judas Iscariot

(b). Every disciple of Christ needs:

- ▶ To be responsive towards God's will
- ▶ To reserve best place for God's involvements in life

## II. Lesson From Matthew

▶ Matthew was once a tax collector Matthew 9:9

(a). Matthew was one of the tax collectors who was hated and despised because he worked for Rome, the colonialist. These tax collectors could walk up to a man and tax him for what he was carrying, and much more. As a tax collector Matthew's deeds could not be justified and were absolutely evil in God's eyes. Yet, our Lord Jesus still wished to come and invite him to turn into a new leaf.

(b). Jesus did hate Matthew's sin, but He loved him so much. You got to hate all forms of sin but you should have expressed your love to all sinners

(c). Ask the children what would they do to those who always annoy and be a nuisance to them?



Teacher's testimony about their hate against all forms of sins but truly love the sinners who absolutely needs the love of God

▶ Lesson from Matthew's radical change

### 1. **Being Responsive towards God's Will (Matthew 9:9)**

(a). When Matthew was called by Jesus, he immediately stood up and followed Him

(b). Daily assignments need to be practised:

- ✦ Be responsive towards your parents' good advices
- ✦ Be responsive towards your parents' request for house-chores participation
- ✦ Be responsive towards God's will in your life

### 2. **Invite Jesus to have meals in his house (Matthew 9:10)**

(a). Having meals together shows a close relationship

(b). You are not only a follower of Christ, but you should be a close friend of Jesus

(c). If you are close to Jesus, you got to make sure that in everything Jesus should be invited to involve in



Teacher's testimony on being close to Jesus and the impacts of this condition

(d). Memory Verse: John 15:5

## III. Class Creativity