

Jesus Twelve Disciples (Part 05 - Philip)

(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 a fast learner to the will of God
- ▶ To find God's will from the Bible

II. Lesson From Philip

▶ Philip, one of Jesus' Disciples

(a). The name of Philip means: "fond of horse" (The Bible often uses a horse as an analogy for negative manner)

(b). Characteristics of Philip as one of Jesus' 12 early disciples

▶ Had No Understanding Like A Horse (Read. Psalm 32:9)

- ✧ Philip was so dull to understand Jesus' invitation to follow Him John 1:43-47
- ✧ Encourage the children to spend for times for increasing in understanding (ie. not just play games)
- ✧ Read good books as many as you can make to boost your understanding (*especially for your spiritual understanding*)

▶ Relying On His Mind & Strenght More Than His Faith (*A swift horse cannot guarantee to give you victory Pro. 21:31*)

- ✧ Philip always depended on the availability of resources more than his faith in achieving anything
- ✧ Philip responded with his negative thought to Jesus' intention feeding the crowd John 6:5-7

 Teacher's testimony on the power of faith

▶ He Was Not Too Close To Jesus John 12:20-22

- ✧ Philip did not pass the message from Greek people directly to Jesus by himself but he asked Andrew to say it
- ✧ Philip did not even know who the Father was John 14:8-9
- ✧ We need to practise befriending closely with Jesus everyday

 Teacher's testimony on befriending with Jesus and the results of such practice

▶ Other Followers of Christ, named Philip

(a). They were also named Philip, means "fond of horse", yet they were not as dull as a horse

1. **Philip, the Deacon** was acknowledged to be good in character, filled with the Spirit of God, and full of God's wisdom Acts 6:3-5

- ✧ Encourage the children to always performs good conduct and well manner every where they go

2. **Philip, the Evangelist** was the person who always proclaimed good news to the lost with passion and love. Unsurprisingly, God confirmed his message with many great signs and wonders Acts 8:6.

- ✧ In the same way, God will show His miracles, signs and wonders when you want to be like Philip

 Teacher's testimony on proclaiming God's love and salvation to the lost and the impacts of doing so

III. Class Creativity