Jesus Twelve Disciples (Part 08 - Thomas)

(Mark 3:13-19)

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
- Banthalamau

- ► Matthew
- ► Thomas
- ►James son of Alphaeus
- ► Thaddaeus
- ►Simon the Zealot
- ►Judas Iscariot

- (b). Every disciple of Christ needs:
- ► To not involve in any disputes and arguments
- ► To please God's heart Without faith it is impossible to please God (Heb. 11:6)

II. Lesson From Thomas

► Thomas Loved Arguing John 14:2-5

(a). One day Jesus talked about the place in Heaven that He is preparing for all His faithful disciples. Jesus has also ensured that every believer should know the way to get there (John 14:2-4). But Thomas wrongly denounced such saying, and declared that he and all other disciples would not know Jesus' way. A moral value that we can firstly learn from Thomas' attitude is that we should not involve in any disputes and arguments with people, for things that we are yet to clearly understand, instead, we need to humbly ask them to clarify what they meant.

lacktriangle Teacher's testimony on avoiding any arguments with others and what the impacts of this practice

► Thomas Was Acknowledged As The "Doubter" John 20:19-29

- (a). When Jesus appeared Himself to almost all of His disciples, Thomas was not there. As a result of this, Thomas did not believe to his mates' story about such "sudden appearance" of Jesus. Another moral value that we can learn from Thomas' attitude is that we should have believed, even though we have not seen the proof."
- (b). Some of your friends might say that there is no God, because they have never seen Him with their bare eyes. But as a believer, we need to believe that God is present from all the things that He has done and provided for us such as the human creation, the planets, galaxies, and solar systems that are moving in order, there is a day and a night, etc. All these show that there must be "Someone" who incharge all the system. He is our might God!.
- (c). You will never be able to please God's heart, if you have no faith Hebrews 11:6. By faith, we will do great and miraculously things with Jesus, our Lord.

Teacher's testimony about the power of faith

► Thomas Bravely Sacrificed Anything For God John 11:16

- (a). Beside those two negative sides of Thomas' attitudes, in facts, the Bible also mentioned the positive side of Thomas' way of life that he was bravely sacrificed anything for Jesus, even his own life.
- (b). It is impossible to share what you have with others, if you do not have spirit of sacrifice

Teacher's testimony about sacrifice and what the impacts of this practice

III. Class Creativity