Romans 12:12 "Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer."

D. We should exercise <u>faith</u> as we pray.

Jeremiah 33:3 "Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know."

James 1:6 "But when he asks, he must believe and not doubt, because he who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind."

Jesus Prayed! Lesson #15 Mark 3:13-19 9-14-25

I. Jesus spent the night in prayer.

A. Jesus chose a private location for prayer.

Luke 5:16 "He Himself often withdrew into the wilderness and prayed.

**Mark 3:13 "Jesus went up on a mountainside and called to Him those he wanted, and they came to Him."

Luke 6:12a "One of those days Jesus went out to a mountainside to pray,"

B. Jesus <u>prayed</u> through the night.

Luke 6:12b "... and spent the night praying to God."

C. Jesus expects us to pray.

Matthew 26:41 "Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak."

Colossians 4:2 "Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful."

I Thessalonians 5:17 "Pray continually!"

II. Jesus <u>selected</u> His apostles after prayer.

A. Jesus <u>designated</u> the apostles.

**Mark 3:14a "He appointed twelve – designating them apostles – that they might be with Him and that He might send them out to preach. [15] And to have authority to drive out demons."

B. The apostles are <u>described</u> by Mark.

**Mark 3:16 "These are the twelve he appointed: Simon (to whom he gave the name Peter)."

Matthew 10:2 "These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (who is called Peter) and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John."

John 1:42 "And he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said "You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas" (which, when translated, is Peter)."

Matthew 16:21 "From that time on Jesus began to explain to His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, chief priests and teachers of the law, and that He must be killed and on the third day be raised to life."

Matthew 16:22 "Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him. "Never, Lord!" He said. "This shall never happen to you!"

Matthew 16:23 "Jesus turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan!" You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the things of God but the things of men."

John 18:10 "Then, Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant, cutting off his right ear. (The servants name was Malchus.)"

John 18:11 "Jesus commanded Peter, Put your sword away! Shall I not drink the cup the Father has given Me?"

Luke 22:51 "... No more of this!" And He touched the man's ear and healed Him."

**Mark 3:17 "James son of Zebedee and his brother John (to them He gave the name Boanerges, which means "sons of thunder")."

Luke 9:53 "But the people there did not welcome Him, because He was heading for Jerusalem. ^[54] When the disciples James and John saw this, they asked, "Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them?" ^[55] But Jesus turned and rebuked them."

**Mark 3:18 "Andrew, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew,"

John 14:8 "Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us."

John 14:9 "Jesus answered: "Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say 'Show us the Father'?

John 1:47 "When Jesus saw Nathaniel approaching, He said to him, "Here is a true Israelite, in whom there is nothing false."

John 20:28 "My Lord and my God!"

**Mark 3:18b "..., James son of Alphaeus, Thaddaeus, Simon the Zealot ¹⁹ and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him."

III. Jesus <u>stated</u> the purpose for His apostles.

A. The Apostles were to spend time with Jesus.

**Mark 3:14a "He appointed twelve [a] that they might be with him"

B. The Apostles were to share the gospel.

**Mark 3:14b "... and that He might send them out to preach."

Matthew 10:5 "These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Do not go among the Gentiles or enter any town of the Samaritans. ^[6] Go rather to the lost sheep of Israel."

Matthew 10:7 "As you go, preach this message; 'The kingdom of heaven is near."

C. The apostles were <u>sent</u> to heal.

**Mark 3:15 "And to have authority to drive out demons."

Matthew 10:8 "Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received, freely give."

How can we apply this lesson?

A. We should <u>figure</u> out a time that works best for prayer.

B. We should <u>find</u> a solitary place for prayer.

Matthew 6:6 "But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you."

C. We should be faithful in prayer.