The Gospel of Mark

Scripture: Mark 3:13-19

Also: Mark 10:45; 1:16-20; Genesis 12:2-3; John 17:1-2, 6, 20; Matthew 28:18-20; John 8:31-32; 17:14-17; Luke 9:23-24; John 13:34-35; Acts 4:13

Questions

- 1. What has challenged you, changed you or confused you from this week's sermon or the Scriptures in it?
- 2. Read Mark 3:13-19. In this passage, Jesus calls 12 men to a specific role: to be with him, and that He might send them out to teach and to have authority to drive out demons. In the sermon it was summarized that they would "have an authoritative connection to Jesus."
 - What is the role of an authority?
 - What authority did Jesus have, and where did it come from?
 - o How does the concept of authority reflect God's character?
 - How is authority viewed now? (How does our culture affect our view of authority?)
 - o Do the societal institutions in our culture/world need to have authority? Why or why not?
 - What view of authority does your actual daily life radiate? (For example, on things like your boss at work, authority within your home, traffic & tax rules, etc, how does the way you live your life support or undermine authority?)
- 3. As we see Jesus calling these 12 men, it is natural to ask the question, "What is a disciple?" The following Scriptures shed some light on it:
 - John 8:31-32; 17:14-17; Luke 9:23-24; John 13:34-35; Acts 4:13
 - Read each passage one at a time and then discuss:
 - What are the commands?
 - What are the principles that apply today?
 - How does Matthew 22:34 40 add or subtract from what a disciple is?
 - After going through all of these Scriptures, how would you characterize a disciple in one sentence?
- 4. In what way is the Spirit nudging you (convicting you) to be different because of your time in these Scriptures this week?
- Ask the Lord to help you live as His disciple this week: being with Him, and being faithful to do what He's called you to do!