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Today's Word: apostles

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Are You:

- Magnifying Your Callings?
- Sustaining the Current Apostles?

Today's Scriptures

Luke 4: 14-32; 5;

Luke 6: 12-16;

Matt 10

Next Week:

Lesson 7:

“He Took Our Infirmities, and Bare Our Sicknesses”

Mark 1-2; 4; 34-41; 5;

Luke 7:11-17

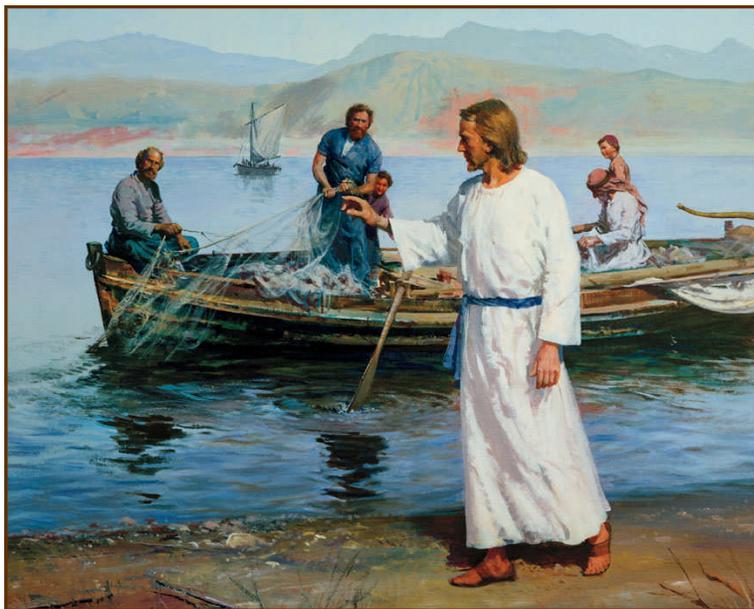
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Lesson 6:

“They Straightway Left Their Nets”

Questions to Ponder

- Why do you think some people today have difficulty accepting Jesus Christ?
- What blessings are promised to those who follow the Apostles?



Each One is Different But We are All Called to Serve

In *Teach Ye Diligently* President Boyd K. Packer notes that “[n]o principle of education has received so much attention from professional educators as the principle of individual differences. No teacher will succeed without knowing something about this principle. One cannot get a group together without noting that each person is individually different. That is true of a family. It is true of any class or congregation.

The twelve Apostles who were chosen by the Lord when he was upon the earth is an interesting example and a class in which the individuals differed greatly. The Twelve were apprenticed to Him and were trained to carry on his work after He was gone. There was great variety in them.

In Peter we see the impulsive, impetuous man, maybe a little erratic to begin with. There is evidence that he may also have been a bit profane. In Thomas was the doubter. “Seeing is believing seemed to describe him. John and James, sons of Zebedee, were also called Sons of Thunder. They seemed to be quick-tempered enough to want Him to call down fire from heaven to destroy a village because the inhabitants rejected the Lord. Matthew was a publican and likely to be despised because of his occupation.

Sometimes the Savior taught His disciples in small groups. At the Transfiguration (Matthew 17:1, 8), for instance, three were with Him. Likewise, at the healing of the daughter of Jairus, ‘He

suffered no man to follow him, save Peter, and James, and John, the brother of James.’ (Mark 5:37). “ (115-116)

• Packer, Boyd K. *Teach Ye Diligently*. Rev. ed. Salt Lake City: Deseret, 1991.

Elder Spencer W. Kimball said:

“No one in this Church will ever go far astray who ties himself securely to the Church Authorities whom the Lord has placed in his Church. This Church will never go astray; the Quorum of the Twelve will never lead you into bypaths; it never has and never will” (Conference Report, Apr. 1951, 104)