

## ***CALLED - Disciple, Apostle, & Mission***

**Matthew 10:1-8** <sup>1</sup> He called his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits to throw them out and to heal every disease and every sickness. <sup>2</sup> Here are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, who is called Peter; and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee; and John his brother; <sup>3</sup> Philip; and Bartholomew; Thomas; and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus; and Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup> Simon the Cananaean; <sup>5</sup> and Judas, who betrayed Jesus. <sup>5</sup> Jesus sent these twelve out and commanded them, “Don’t go among the Gentiles or into a Samaritan city. <sup>6</sup> Go instead to the lost sheep, the people of Israel. <sup>7</sup> As you go, make this announcement: ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ <sup>8</sup> Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those with skin diseases, and throw out demons. You received without having to pay. Therefore, give without demanding payment.

### **1. God’s Call to be A Disciple.**

**2 Timothy 1:9** <sup>9</sup> For God saved us and called us to live a holy life. He did this, not because we deserved it, but because that was his plan from before the beginning of time—to show us his grace through Christ Jesus.

**Ephesians 4:4** <sup>4</sup> You are one body and one spirit, just as God also called you in one hope. (CEB)

### **2. God’s Call to Be an Apostle.**

**1 Corinthians 1:26** Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. (NIV)

### **3. God’s Call is to Continue Jesus’ Mission.**

**John 20:21** <sup>21</sup> “Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.” (NIV)

**Matthew 11:4-5** Jesus told them, “Go back to John and tell him what you have heard and seen—the blind see, the lame walk, those with leprosy are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised to life, and the Good News is being preached to the poor.”

**2 Corinthians 5:18-21** <sup>18</sup> All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: <sup>19</sup> that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people’s sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. <sup>20</sup> We are therefore Christ’s ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ’s behalf: Be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup> God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

### **PRAYER:**

***Lord Jesus, I acknowledge to You that I have sinned against You in many ways. I believe You died on the cross for my sins. I want You to come into my life and be my savior. Forgive me of all my sins and give me the gift of eternal life. Come into my life and be my Lord and help me become the person You want me to be. Amen***