

LIVING POST-PENTECOST

Praying with Faith

Mark 6 – Jesus Trains the Twelve

- A Unique Piece of Redemption History
- Special Envoys to the Nation of Israel
- Things Different Later

I. Training Using the Stuff of Real Life

- Is your life in your drawers?

II. Jesus Makes Us a Part

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III. Praying with Expectation

- ¹³ And they cast out many demons and anointed with oil many who were sick and healed them. (Mark 6)
- ¹ LORD, how many are my foes! Many are rising against me; ² many are saying of my soul, there is no salvation for him in God. ³ But you, O LORD, are a shield about me, my glory, and the lifter of my head. ⁴ I cried aloud to the LORD, and he answered me from his holy hill. (Psalm 3)

IV. The Vending Machine God

- ¹⁴ And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything *according to his will* he hears us. ¹⁵ And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him. (1 John 5)

V. Getting It Right in Prayer

- Prayer is an act of the will to turn and intentionally place oneself into the presence of the LIVING GOD.
- In prayer, we are not telling God anything.

VI. What Do You Feel Today? What Is Your Situation?

- The LORD, who trained my hands for war, and my fingers for battle; (Psalm 144)
- ¹ Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD! ² O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy! (Psalm 130)
- ⁶ Pour out your anger on the nations that do not know you, and on the kingdoms that do not call upon your name! (Psalm 79)
- ¹ Hear my prayer, O LORD; let my cry come to you! ⁶ I am like a desert owl of the wilderness, like an owl of the waste places; ⁷ I lie awake; I am like a lonely sparrow on the housetop. (Psalm 102)

Blessed then is everyone who fears the LORD, who walks thus in his ways! ² You shall eat the fruit of the labor of your hands; you shall be blessed, and it shall be well with you. ⁵ [May] the LORD bless you from Zion! May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life! (Psalm 128)

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