PENTECOST METHODIST CHURCH

LIVE-IT-OUT GUIDE



Sermon Date: 14/06/2020 Text(s): Mark 3:13–19 Sermon Title: The Dream Team Preacher: Rev Collin See (The sermon recording and slides are available in the PMC website and MyPMC App)

<u>READ (5 mins)</u> (Read the Bible texts, quietly or aloud)

Mark 3:13–19 (ESV)

13 And he went up on the mountain and called to him those whom he desired, and they came to him.
14 And he appointed twelve (whom he also named apostles) so that they might be with him and he might send them out to preach
15 and have authority to cast out demons.
16 He appointed the twelve: Simon (to whom he gave the name Peter);
17 James the son of Zebedee and John the brother of James (to whom he gave the name Boanerges, that is, Sons of Thunder);
18 Andrew, and Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus, and Simon the Zealot,
19 and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

REFLECT (30 mins)

(Reflect on key themes and questions in the text)

- 1. In the Gospels we read of Jesus choosing and appointing 12 disciples to be appointed as apostles. Concerning their occupation, several of the 12 were fishermen, one was a tax collector, and one was a zealot. If you were also a fisherman together with Peter, James, and John, during the time of Jesus, do you think you would stand a chance to be selected to be an apostle together with the 12? Why or why not?
- 2. Let's look at the key occupation of an apostle. The first "job" of the apostles was to accompany Jesus. The 12 were to be with Jesus wherever He went. What do you think is the significance of this "job" of accompanying Jesus? What would it mean for us today to accompany Jesus as we live out our lives here in Singapore?

3. The second task of the apostles was to preach. But we remember that these 12 men were untrained men, unlike the Pharisees who were both educated and trained. What would immediately go through your mind and what would you sense in your heart if you were asked to preach to a crowd of 1000 people tomorrow for just 20 minutes? Would you do it or would you turn down the request?



4. The third task of the apostles was to cast out demons. What is your understanding concerning demons and the casting out of demons? What do we do with this instruction of the Lord in our day and time, as in should we put it aside because we don't quite understand it or should we explore more on this?

RELATE (30 mins)

(Relate and apply God's word to our daily lives)

- 1. The preachers shared, "There is no sin too great that God cannot forgive. There is no weakness too great that God cannot strengthen. There is no pride too great that God cannot soften and use as a strength. The best team is built from trials and struggles or the best way to build a team is through trials and struggles." How are you allowing God to take your weakness and bring new strength into you? Please be willing share one specific and personal example.
- 2. The summary of the sermon is Jesus is the occupation of the apostles. Jesus is our occupation. How would you summarize this sermon in your own words?

REST (15 mins)

(Take time to share and pray for one another) (Pray for our church, our nation, and our world. See MyPMC > PRAY for weekly guide)

- Pray for one another to be occupied with Jesus always with a longing to be more and more like Him, to serve as He served, to minister as He ministered, and to be where He is.
- Pray for others in your family or circle of friends who need prayer support or financial support. Continue to pray for those in Singapore infected with Covid-19 to come to full recovery.
- Pray for the churches in Singapore to have a stronger witness in Singapore and beyond in the days to come.