

Jesus the First Sunday School Teacher

1. Jesus: The master Teacher and His call to teach.

Luke 2:46-49

So what did he do? He fulfilled His calling. Matt. ____ : _____

What was Jesus purpose in teaching?

Let's look back at His life and teaching:

1. He was accountable to His Father for His Life and the fulfillment of the task He had been assigned to.
 - John 4:34
 - Our response as David said should be - Psalms 40:8 – “I Delight”
2. He was the lesson. He did not just talk about the lesson
3. He called a group around Him, He taught them, He showed them, and then He then sent them out.

2. Jesus the Master Teacher – “But – HE WAS God's Son

Who am I? Do I compare myself to Him?

1. You are a child of God - John 1:12
2. You have a call placed on your life for service
 - Jer. 1:5, Romans 12: 1-8
3. God is your testimony of His call on YOU!

He will do miraculous things through you that others will see Him in. (Neh. 6:15-16)

- John 14: 12
- Eph 4:7-16

Our Call and our Commission is to go and make Disciples –

Your Call should be from God – The power to fulfill that call should be from God – The abilities you use to fulfill that call MUST come from God and be BACKED up by the Holy Spirit.

We are charged to find where God is working and join Him in it.

Our Gifts were given to use. Our experiences help us develop talents (When we allow God to be in charge of what we learn). These experiences help us develop our talents.

3. JESUS is our teaching EXAMPLE

1. He had humility - Matt 3:13-17
2. He sought out and called His disciples - Mat: 19-22
3. He taught His followers to pray - Luke 11:1 -
4. He modeled the purpose of Sunday School to them.

What is the purpose – the three word version? **Reach - Teach - Minister**

- Matt 9:35.
- 5. He **prayed** for more workers to be called out – from His group - Matt 9:37-38 Then He said to His disciples, “The harvest is abundant, but the workers are few. 38 Therefore, pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest.”
 - He looked at His class and said to them – Pray that **God will call more of you** to go out and join the work. The need is great.
 - This is **the plan that Jesus used** to call His disciples –
 - He prayed all night before enlisting them.
 - He enlisted them one at a time.
 - He trained them.
 - He placed them in the proper place of responsibility.

He did not stop at enlistment and go directly to assignment

6. He **taught** and even **trained** His members - Matt 10:1 - Summoning His 12 disciples, He gave them authority over unclean spirits, to drive them out, and to heal every disease and sickness.
7. He **sent** them out - Matt 10:5 - Jesus sent out these 12 after giving them instructions:
8. He **warned** them of **trials** and promised God’s **power** and **presence** on their life as they sought to do His work - Matt 10:16-20
9. He **sent** them to the people and **DID NOT KEEP** them for Himself - Matt 11:1
10. He continually **looked out** for the **welfare** of His students - Matt 12:1 - Matt 15:36-37
11. His students came even before family - Matt 12:46-50-
12. His class of students was organized and they had jobs assigned.
 - He had an inner circle that He trained as future leaders and teachers. Matt 17:1 After six days Jesus took Peter, James, and his brother John, and led them up on a high mountain by themselves.
 - He sent individuals out with specific assignments - Matt 21:1-2 When they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage at the Mount of Olives, Jesus then sent two disciples, 2 telling them,
 - Positions within the group – Judas – keeper of the money – Others assigned according to their gifts to find food.

APPLICATION: Can We do as Jesus did? Will we fail? Can we get up?

- **Can we do better? Tonight read the Bible passages again and ask God to help you teach like Jesus did.**
- **Ask God To help you follow HIS example.**

James 3:1-2 (HCSB) Not many should become teachers, my brothers, knowing that we will receive a stricter judgment; ² for we all stumble in many ways. If anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a mature man who is also able to control his whole body.¹