

Series: "Uncommon: The Upside Down Kingdom of Jesus"

Title: From A Nobody to a Somebody

Passage: Luke 6:12-16

In these days he went out to the mountain to pray, and all night he continued in prayer to God. 13 And when day came, he called his disciples and chose from them twelve, whom he named apostles: 14 Simon, whom he named Peter, and Andrew his brother, and James and John, and Philip, and Bartholomew, 15 and Matthew, and Thomas, and James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon who was called the Zealot, 16 and Judas the son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.

What The Disciples Were Like:

- They were common, blue-collar and hardworking.
- They were young. Probably under 20 (except for Peter)

What the Disciples Lacked

- Spiritual Understanding
- Humility
- Faith
- Commitment
- Power

TAKEAWAY:

If Jesus Can Use Men Like Them He Can People Like YOU.

Who is Simon Peter?

- Most likely the leader of the twelve.
- A fisherman by trade. From Capernaum.
- He was loyal and had a bias towards action.
- He overestimated his own spiritual understanding and power.

Who is Andrew?

- Brother to Simon Peter.
- A fisherman by trade. From Capernaum.
- He was a relationship builder and connected people to Jesus.
- He was always in the shadows and behind the scenes.

Who is James?

- Son of Zebedee. Brother to John.
- A fisherman by trade.
- He had a powerful and loud personality (son of Thunder)
- He most likely struggled with anger problems.

Who is John?

- Brother to James. Son of Zebedee
- A fisherman by trade.
- He saw the world in black and white.
- He most likely struggled with prejudice and judgmentalism.

If Jesus chose men like these to lead a movement that would eventually change the world then he can use someone like YOU.

Jesus takes normal nobodies and turns them into significant somebodies for the kingdom God.