



**Riverstone**  
BAPTIST CHURCH

## **Sermon Based Questions**

Date- Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Series- Surprise the World part 3

### **Investing in People like Jesus**

*13 Jesus went up on a mountainside and called to him those he wanted, and they came to him. 14 He appointed twelve that they might be with him and that he might send them out to preach.*

Mark 3:13-14

**1. Leaders are called and formed by Jesus**

**2. Leaders are invested in and sent out**

**3. Investing in a diversity of leaders**

## **A. Examining the texts.**

1. Read Mark 3: 13-15. Here we have Jesus assembling his mission team. For what two purposes did Jesus call the disciples to him?
2. Read Mark 3:16-19. What is the significance of the number of disciples that Jesus calls to himself? What about this list is surprising when you think about the mission that he was calling them too?

## **B. Meditation & application**

3. Reflecting on Isaiah 43:1, what is your experience of Jesus calling you to do the work of the Kingdom?
4. Have you had people in your life who have demonstrated how to be with Jesus? What does this mean for you in your life?
5. What does the idea of being sent make you think and feel? How does it affect the way you act?
6. How can you be a part of seeing and investing in the formation of other people for discipleship and leadership in the church and beyond?
7. 90% of pastors in the majority world have no formal theological training and have limited opportunity for continued formation. How might you and your generously give yourself support leadership development in other contexts?

Challenge: This week look for opportunities to encourage someone at church who you think could potentially be a great leader. Pray for them and ask God to help them be used of God to build up the church and reach the world.

**Prayer:** Heavenly Father, we thank you that Jesus demonstrated a style of leadership that invested in others and multiplied the work. We pray our church would be a community that actively discipled people and equips them towards leadership. In Jesus Name- Amen