

# CALLED TO THE MOUNTAIN

MARK 3:13-20 (ESV)



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- I. Christ wants us to join Him on the mountain, away from the \_\_\_\_\_ of the world, to listen and learn.
  - A. Don't ignore this opportunity we have to spend more time with the Lord! Set aside regular time for the \_\_\_\_\_ of His Word, \_\_\_\_\_ on the Word, and \_\_\_\_\_.
  - B. We cannot lead people where we, ourselves, \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. We must allow ourselves to be disciplined by the greatest Teacher of all—\_\_\_\_\_.
  - C. We cannot effectively do ministry or life without the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus (14-5).

"But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you" (John 14:26).

1. God called Moses, Elijah, and other leaders away from the busyness of the world to spend time alone with Him on mountains. There is something of great importance in the Bible attached to these great natural structures that rise above natural terrain. We have even given important spiritual moments in our lives the title "\_\_\_\_\_."

  - a. God stayed Abraham's hand from sacrificing \_\_\_\_\_ on a mountain.
  - b. Peter, James, and John (\_\_\_\_\_).

"And after six days Jesus took with him **Peter** and **James**, and **John** his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light." (Matthew 17:1 ESV).

- c. Jesus completed His ministry on a hill called \_\_\_\_\_.
- d. Jesus ascended to heaven from, and will return to, \_\_\_\_\_.

II. Don't ignore this opportunity we now have to spend more time with \_\_\_\_\_! God has called us to reach the multitudes, but He will accomplish this through the training and empowering of small groups. For most of us, this begins at \_\_\_\_\_!

III. God has a plan for us to connect people to discipleship through . . .

A. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ Opportunities.  
(Our people need to be connected to the body of the local church.)

B. The Congregation.

1. The message must saturate our words, our music, and our \_\_\_\_\_.
2. When Jesus ascended physically, He commissioned His disciples with the responsibility for the future growth of the gospel and Church. His disciples were empowered with His Holy Spirit to accomplish these tasks. We, too, are empowered to "Go . . . and teach . . ." (Matt. 28:19-20).
  - a. What are we doing to prepare and empower others to lead the \_\_\_\_\_ of the church?
  - b. We will not be able to do this apart from having allowed the Lord to teach and prepare us on the "\_\_\_\_\_ " (20).
  - c. Make a commitment to set apart precious time to ask the Lord what He wants to teach you and allow Him to call you up the "mountainside" during this unusual time in your life.