

Jesus Longs to be with You in a Personal Relationship. How to Become a Christian

Many people believe they are Christians because they were born in a Christian culture, go to church regularly, try to do their best, or live a good life. However, the Bible teaches that these things cannot make you a Christian. You become a Christian by simply taking these two steps:

- Acknowledge that you (along with all people) have sinned and fallen short of God's standards. (ROMANS 3:23)
- Personally believe that Jesus Christ, who was God in human flesh, died for your sins on the cross and rose again. (I CORINTHIANS 15:3, 4)

You may express your belief through prayer, asking Jesus to come into your life, and receiving Him as God's gift to you.

(JOHN 1:12, ROMANS 6:23, REVELATION 3:20)

"For it is by grace you have been saved through faith ...it is the gift of God; not by works, so that no one can boast." EPHESIANS 2:8,9

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Sermon Notes

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Discipleship & Maturity in Christ

BE WITH ME

Mark 3

Becoming the B.E.S.T. Disciple and Follower of Christ that We Can Be

- **Believe** *"Come and see..."* JOHN 1
Key Idea: Believe
- **Establish** *"Come, follow me..."* MATTHEW 4
Key Idea: Obey
- **Serve** *"Be with me..."* MARK 3
Key Idea: Overflow
- **Train**

Jesus Practices "Withness"

Jesus went up on a mountainside and called to him those he wanted, and they came to him. He appointed twelve—designating them apostles—that they might be with him and that he might send them out to preach and to have authority to drive out demons. These are the twelve he appointed: Simon (to whom he gave the name Peter) James son of Zebedee and his brother John (to them he gave the name Boanerges, which means Sons of Thunder); Andrew, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thomas, James son of Alphaeus, Thaddaeus, Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

MARK 3:13-19

Jesus' Example:

- _____
- Rely

One of those days Jesus went out to a mountainside to pray, and spent the night praying to God. LUKE 6:12

Jesus' Purpose:

- To be with his men
- To send disciples into service
- That the disciples would _____ authority

Being with Jesus

Our Daily Devotion

The Overflow Effect in Our Lives

- Service

Using spiritual gifts within the church EPH. 4:11-12

Proclaiming Jesus outside the church

Extending care and compassion to the poor and oppressed MARK 3:10-12

• Identity

Cautions related to authority

Look what we did!

Where can I sit? (MARK 10:35-45)

Spiritual Authority...

...is not what you do, but what God does.

...is not to be the _____ of another.

You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. Not so with you.

MARK 10:42-43A

...is for _____ of others.

Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

MARK 10:43B-45

Our Disciples and Jesus

- Pray
- Patience
- Perspective