

Today's Theme

“Significance Of The Few”

“Figuring Following Out” Pt 39

12/1/19

Why Is This So *Powerful*?

1. Jesus *Lived Out* The SOTF.

(1) Jesus *launched* His movement with a *few*.

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(2) Jesus *points to the few as powerful*.

Luke 10:1 After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them two by two ahead of him to every town and place where he was about to go. 2 He told them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. 3 Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. 4 Do not take a purse or bag or sandals; and do not greet anyone on the road. 5 “When you enter a house, first say, ‘Peace to this house.’ 6 If someone who promotes peace is there, your peace will rest on them; if not, it will return to you. 7 Stay there, eating and drinking whatever they give you, for the worker deserves his wages. Do not move around from house to house.

2. Jesus *Shows Up* In The SOTF.

(1) Where 2 or 3 are *gathered* in my name. Matt 18:20 For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.”

(2) Jesus taught *big* groups but *hung w/few*. Matt 5:1 Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him,

(3) Jesus *Uses The Few To Reach* Many.

1 Thess 1:1 Paul, Silas and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: 2 We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. 3 We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. 4 For we know, brothers and sisters loved by God, that he has chosen you, 5 because our gospel came to you not simply with words but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction. You know how we lived among you for your sake. 6 You became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you welcomed the message in the midst of severe suffering with the joy given by the Holy Spirit. 7 And so you became a model to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia. 8 The Lord’s message rang out from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia—your faith in God has become known everywhere.

The Significance Of The Few

(1) The *dynamic* of fellowship that *results*.

(2) *We participate* in one another’s *lives*.

(3) *Develop* a personal *support* system.

(4) *Everywhere* we go, Jesus is there.

(5) The message *becomes contagious*.

(6) Jesus Himself *lived* this way.

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