

# *Resurrection Life of Jesus Church*

## THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW

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### PART 11: SELECTING APOSTLES

#### **SELECTING MORE APOSTLES**

During the virtual time run, the Godhead designed the souls of the men who would become apostles of the incarnated God-man (Jesus). This becomes clear when we examine the following men:

- ❖ The prophet Isaiah – **Isaiah 49:1-5**
- ❖ The prophet Jeremiah – **Jeremiah 1:4-10**
- ❖ The apostle Paul – **Galatians 1:15-16**

Once Jesus located Simon Peter and Andrew, He also recruited two other fishermen sitting on the shoreline mending their nets. Jesus knew their names, James and John, the sons of Zebedee. The Son of God did not explain to them who He was as He reiterated the simple command to follow Him. The precise moment when Jesus spoke to them, the Holy Spirit also moved upon them and they immediately got up from their nets and walked away with the God-man without question or asking permission from their father. **Matthew 4:18-22**

Jesus made it clear that He had chosen the apostles. **John 6:70-71**

Every saved person was known to the Godhead before the foundation of the world. **John 6:37-40**

Once you come to Jesus and receive salvation, it is the Son of God's responsibility to keep you saved and secured. **John 10:27-30**

#### **STARTING HIS PUBLIC MINISTRY**

Hospitals did not exist during the time of Jesus' ministry on earth. There were no skilled surgeons and all doctors could do was to amputate, clean out wounds and apply herbal remedies.

News spread like a wildfire once people started to be healed from all kinds of diseases and cured from mental issues. There was a supernatural healer for whom nothing was impossible as even the lunatics were freed from the demons which plagued them.

**Matthew 4:23-25**

#### **HEALING FOR TODAY**

This brings up an interesting question for today. Does Jesus still heal the sick and damaged people? Absolutely!

The Bible informs us that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever.

**Hebrews 13:8**



The problem is that the Devil crafted a lie many years ago and even used the Bible to back it up. You probably have heard the lie propagated. It goes something like this:

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*THE BIG LIE: “The gifts and miracles of God are no longer needed since we have the Scriptures.”*

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Most Baptist pastors teach this falsehood and back their claim by misquoting Paul's writing to the church at Corinth. **1 Corinthians 13:8-13**

It should be noted that Paul specifically stated “when that is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away.” **verse 10**

The apostle did not say that when the Bible was completed, all the power and the gifts of the Holy Spirit would vanish. That is a stretch of his words and completely false. Paul said that the gifts won't be needed when we see Jesus face to face in heaven. **verse 12**

Instead of believing and spreading this giant lie, let's turn to God and do what Jesus said concerning the Kingdom of God. **Matthew 7:7-11**

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*If you have a negative view on divine healing, you will never receive a divine healing!*

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***Remember, it's not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!***

***Do you have an ear to hear with?***