Ordinary Men for Extraordinary Purposes

Luke 6:12-16 (series #28)

Intro: the multi-faceted ministry of the Lord Jesus

I. The Choosing of the Twelve vv. 12-13

- A. Their Calling John 15:16
- B. The Phases of Their Calling
 - 1. Salvation John 1:35-51
 - 2. Service Luke 5:8-11
 - 3. Training Luke 6:13
 - 4. Sending John 20:21; Acts 1

II. The Authority of the Twelve - Matt. 10:1; Mk 3:15

- 1st Corinthians 12:29-30

III. The Identity of the Twelve vv. 14-16

- A. Simon Peter the first among equals
- B. Andrew a godly "second fiddler"
- C. James and John sons of thunder
- D. Philip and Bartholomew ordinary people
- E. Matthew the forgiven sinner
- F. Thomas the loving pessimist
- G. James, the son of Alphaeus faithful follower
- H. Simon the Zealot (Acts 1:13)
- I. Judas Lebbaeus Thaddaeus faithful follower
- J. Judas Iscariot the betrayer

Conclusion: We, too, can be vessels of honor!

- 2nd Timothy 2:19-21