THE GOSPEL OF

AN INVESTIGATION INTO THE LIFE, WORK, TEACHING AND CLAIMS OF JESUS CHRIST

Right Side Up: The Selection LUKE 6:12-16 | FEBRUARY 22 & 23, 2014

We have been amazed at all Jesus has done. He made powerful claims to be the Son of Man, the Messiah – even God. He drove out demons, healed the sick and opened the eyes of the blind. He demonstrated power over fish, leprosy, paralysis and the Sabbath. Just as his actions and claims amazed us, his teaching might surprise us. In fact, we will see that His teaching turns many of our commonly held beliefs upside down.



Watch this week's summary message from Pastor Mike at http://luke.christchurchil.org/resources. (Videos will be live on Sunday afternoon.)

WITH THE GROUP



Leaning | Beginning to connect with the topic

Describe a time when you were selected? What was it? What qualified you? How did being selected feel?



Learning | Getting clear on What was taught

Jesus prayed before his big decision. (Luke 6:12-13) Have you approached big decisions this way? After prayer, what do you think Jesus was looking for in choosing the 12 Apostles?

How would you describe the difference between "come and see" and "go and die?"



Loving | Growing our heart for a loving God

What was the most helpful or inspirational part of the sermon for you?

Do you agree with this statement, "Jesus does not call the equipped, but he equips the called?" What does that mean in your life? (Consider Acts 4:13 as spoken about Peter and John)



LIVING | STARTING TO LIVE LIKE JESUS DAILY

What helps you to pray most effectively?

What does it take to "go deep" with others as Pastor Mike encouraged when referencing 2 Timothy 2:2?

ON YOUR OWN



PRACTICING

Consider James 1:5-6. Take time to "get away" and pray before the big decisions facing you this week.



PRAYING

Heavenly Father, I thank you that you are able to provide wisdom when we pray and listen to you. I thank you that you have called us and that you equip us for your work. I pray that I will keep taking next steps because of who you have shown yourself to be. Make my heart willing to die for you.

MEMORIZING



"When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus." (Acts 4:13)