

THE KING'S MESSENGERS  
(Matthew 10:1)

- I. Their INITIATION (Matt. 10:1a)
  - A. They were chosen SOVEREIGNLY
    1. Jesus did not RECRUIT them, but CHOSE them (cf. Mark 3:13; John 15:16)
    2. Jesus SUMMONED them
  - B. They were chosen after PRAYER (Luke 6:12-13; cf. John 5:19, 30; 8:28; 17:6)
    1. His choosing was CONSISTENT with the Father's WILL
    2. He chose ONLY those whom the Father had GIVEN Him (John 17:6; cf. Acts 13:1-4)
  - C. They were chosen for PREPARATION
    1. They were SLOW to LEARN
    2. They lacked HUMILITY
    3. Their FAITH was WEAK
    4. They lacked COMMITMENT
    5. They lacked POWER

6. Jesus was not teaching them to DO THEIR BEST; He was preparing them to be what they could BECOME only through His PROVISION and POWER

D. They were chosen to be SENT

II. Their INTERNSHIP (Matt. 10:1*b*)

A. They were divinely AUTHORIZED

B. They were divinely ENERGIZED

1. To cast out UNCLEAN SPIRITS

2. To heal EVERY KIND of DISEASE or SICKNESS

C. They were FLAWED men, used by GRACE