

THE KING'S MEN: PART 1
(Matthew 10:2-4)

- I. As a GROUP (Matt. 10:2-4)
 - A. Uniquely CALLED (10:1)
 - B. Socially DIVERSE (10:2-4)
 - C. Divinely QUALIFIED
 - 1. Not RECRUITED for what they WERE
 - a. No respected CREDENTIALS
 - b. No impressive WEALTH or INFLUENCE
 - 2. But CHOSEN for what they would BECOME
 - a. Willing to LEAVE EVERYTHING to follow Christ
 - b. Willing to SUFFER and DIE for following Christ
 - D. Internally ORGANIZED (Mk. 3:16-19; Lk. 6:13-16; Acts 1:13)
 - 1. Peter always FIRST and Judas always LAST
 - 2. Three sets of FOUR, always headed by PETER, PHILIP, and JAMES (of Alphaeus)
 - 3. Decreasing degrees of INVOLVEMENT and INFORMATION
- II. As INDIVIDUALS: PETER
 - A. Personal BACKGROUND

1. A FISHERMAN
 2. A MARRIED man
- B. Natural INCLINATIONS for leadership
1. Constantly ASKING QUESTIONS
 2. Frequently SHOWING INITIATIVE
 3. Intentionally GETTING INVOLVED
- C. Experiential TRAINING for leadership
1. Received wondrous REVELATIONS
 2. Given high HONOR
 3. Earned great REBUKE
 4. Experienced profound FAILURE
 5. Received gracious RECOMMISSIONING
- D. Vital ATTITUDES for leadership
1. Learned SUBMISSION
 2. Learned RESTRAINT
 3. Learned HUMILITY
 4. Learned SACRIFICE
 5. Learned LOVE
 6. Learned COURAGE