

The Process of Christ to Train His Men

(Mark 6:6b-13)



Introduction

The more you can train like Christ, the more Christ-like others will become.

^{6b}And He was going around the villages teaching. ⁷And He summoned the twelve and began to send them out in pairs, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits; ⁸and He instructed them that they should take nothing for their journey, except a mere staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their belt—⁹but to wear sandals; and He added, ‘Do not put on two tunics.’ ¹⁰And He said to them, ‘Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave town. ¹¹Any place that does not receive you or listen to you, as you go out from there, shake the dust off the soles of your feet for a testimony against them.’ ¹²They went out and preached that men should repent. ¹³And they were casting out many demons and were anointing with oil many sick people and healing them” (Mark 6:6b-13).

1. Training Is _____ (v. 6b)

“And He was going around the villages teaching”

- ³⁶Seeing the people, He felt compassion for them, because they were distressed and dispirited like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷Then He said to His disciples, ‘The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. ³⁸Therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest” (Matthew 9:36-38).
- ¹⁵and that from childhood you have known the sacred writings which are able to give you the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All Scripture is inspired by God” (2 Timothy 3:15-16).

2. Training Is a _____ (v. 7)

"And He summoned the twelve and began to send them out in pairs, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits."

- "You did not choose Me but I chose you, and appointed you" (John 15:16).
- "Our God is in the heavens; He does whatever He pleases" (Psalm 115:3).
- "All authority has been given to me" (Matthew 28:18).

3. Training Teaches _____ and Focus (vv. 8-9)

"and He instructed them that they should take nothing for their journey, except a mere staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their belt—but to wear sandals; and He added, 'Do not put on two tunics.'"

- "Proclaim the gospel ... get their living from the gospel" (1 Corinthians 9:14).
- "For the worker is worthy of his support" (Matthew 10:10).
- "Seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you" (Matthew 6:33).

4. Training Requires _____ and Intensity (vv. 10-11)

"And He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave town. Any place that does not receive you or listen to you, as you go out from there, shake the dust off the soles of your feet for a testimony against them.'"

- "Godliness actually is a means of great gain, when accompanied by contentment" (1 Timothy 6:6).

5. Training Demands _____ (vv. 12-13)

**"They went out and preached that men should repent.
And they were casting out many demons
and were anointing with oil many sick people and healing them."**

- "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel" (Mark 1:15).
- "The apostles gathered together with Jesus; and they reported to Him all that they had done and taught" (Mark 6:30).

Conclusion

1. Be overwhelmed by the need of _____ and the need for workers
2. Become a big fan of biblical _____ in the local church and around the world
3. Make certain your training includes _____
4. You can only impart what you personally _____

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Application

1. What is the significance of Christ's authority being given to His twelve men?
2. Why is training necessary? And if training is important, why isn't it done more in the local church?
3. If you were to train like Christ with your children or your disciples, what might that look like practically?
4. Why would Christ involve His men in proclaiming the gospel to all the villages in Galilee?
5. How can you further develop the heart and compassion of Christ for those who are lost all around you?
6. How can you be directly involved in the training of believers in order to impact our church and others around the world?
7. What does the phrase mean: "The more you can train like Christ, the more Christ-like others will become"?
8. What steps (in character and behavior) will you personally take this month and this year to train more effectively?

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