

## Mark 3:7-19

Jesus departed with his disciples to the lake, and a great multitude from Galilee followed him; <sup>8</sup> hearing all that he was doing, they came to him in great numbers from Judea, Jerusalem, Idumea, beyond the Jordan, and the region around Tyre and Sidon. <sup>9</sup> He told his disciples to have a boat ready for him because of the crowd, so that they would not crush him; <sup>10</sup> for he had cured many, so that all who had diseases pressed upon him to touch him. <sup>11</sup> Whenever the unclean spirits saw him, they fell down before him and shouted, 'You are the Son of God!' <sup>12</sup> But he sternly ordered them not to make him known.

<sup>13</sup> He went up the mountain and called to him those whom he wanted, and they came to him. <sup>14</sup> And he appointed twelve, whom he also named apostles,<sup>[a]</sup> to be with him, and to be sent out to proclaim the message, <sup>15</sup> and to have authority to cast out demons. <sup>16</sup> So he appointed the twelve:<sup>[b]</sup> Simon (to whom he gave the name Peter); <sup>17</sup> James son of Zebedee and John the brother of James (to whom he gave the name Boanerges, that is, Sons of Thunder); <sup>18</sup> and Andrew, and Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus, and Simon the Cananaean, <sup>19</sup> and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him. Then he went home.

## James 5:13-20

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. <sup>14</sup> Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. <sup>15</sup> The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. <sup>16</sup> Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. <sup>17</sup> Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. <sup>18</sup> Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

<sup>19</sup> My brothers and sisters,<sup>[a]</sup> if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, <sup>20</sup> you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's<sup>[b]</sup> soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.