

SERMON NOTES

August 22 & 23, 2026

Better Together: Teamwork

Mark 3:13-19

1. Jesus didn't build connections between people solely based on their:

Mark 3:13-19

- shared _____, _____, or _____.

- best _____.

Luke 9:54

2. Jesus' strategy to build friendships that stick is _____.

Mark 3:14-15

3. Serving God on a team with others is _____

_____.

4. People who serve God together _____.

5. People who serve God together will _____ with God.

Mark 3:14

Homework:

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Life Steps

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Monday

Mark 3:13

Reflect: Why do you think Jesus went up the mountain instead of staying by the sea? Read the previous 6 verses if you need more insight. What does the word “called” mean in this context to you? In the big picture and in one sentence, what do you sense God is calling you to do with your life?

Prayer: God, show me where and how I can help you make the world a better place.

Tuesday

Mark 3:13-14

Reflect: Why did Jesus choose twelve? Why do you think Jesus spent more time with the team of twelve than the crowds? What was their new purpose as his team of disciples?

Prayer: God, I am ready to be a part of your team. Lead me to the friends with whom I can do ministry in your name.

Wednesday

Mark 3:13-19

Reflect: Review your message notes as needed. What did Jesus’ team of disciples have in common, and how were they different? What was your most important takeaway from the weekend message? If you have not done so yet, check out some of the Pathway Ministry Teams on the app and consider where God might be calling you to do ministry with others.

Prayer: God, help me to connect with people who are different than me and recognize their giftedness and value to your Kingdom purposes.

Thursday

Mark 6:7-12

Reflect: Joshua with Caleb, Moses with Aaron, Elijah with Elisha, God routinely sends His servants and friends out in pairs. Why? See verse 11 and Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 for insight. What is the value of serving God on a team versus going solo? Where is God calling you to serve with others?

Prayer: Name the people God has paired up with you for the purpose of doing ministry. Thank God for the contributions they have made to your life.

Friday

I Corinthians 15:33

Reflect: Take an inventory of the people who consider you their friend and expect access to you. With love and grace, yet wise discernment, which are the friends you desire to stick with, and which are the ones you need to limit their access? How will you set the appropriate boundaries?

Prayer: God, give me the wisdom to know in whom to invest my time and energy and with whom clear, loving boundaries need to be established.

Saturday

Ecclesiastes 4:8-12

Reflect: How have you experienced serving God with others creating life-giving, deep friendships? How have you experienced the truth of this passage?

Prayer: God, help me develop deeper, binding friendships with the team I get to serve you and your purposes.

Sunday

Psalms 150

Reflect: What does worship mean to you? Why is it important to praise God often in all seasons of life?

Prayer: Write out your own prayer of praise for the gift of this new day.