

DETAILED OBSERVATION: Mark 3:13–15

OBSERVATIONS	QUESTIONS
<p>1. LOCATION 13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. action takes place “<i>on the mountain</i>”; this = location for the following events b. mountain is unspecified c. most earlier activity along sea (cf. 3:7) <p>2. ACTIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. J “summoned” (προσκαλεῖται) those he wanted (13). This is a different verb than those used earlier (1:17 δεῦτε; 1:20 ἐκάλεσεν; 2:14 ἀκολουθεῖ) b. those summoned come to him 13 c. actions a and b echo earlier examples of “call and response” 1:17-18, 20; 2:14 d. J. is the <i>initiator</i> of this action 13 e. J calls them “to him”; this is a <i>personal</i> summons 13 f. J “makes” (ἐποίησεν) twelve 14 g. those called are number “twelve” 14 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1a. What is the significance of this location for the following actions? 13 1a. Is there any significance to the change of setting from the previous episode? 3:7, 13 2a1. What is the meaning of this calling? 13 2a2. In what ways is J’s “summoning” of disciples similar to and different from earlier callings? 1:16-20; 2:14 2a3. What is the significance of these similarities/differences? 2b1. What is the meaning of the response of those called? 13 2bc2. In what ways is their response similar to and/or different from earlier response to J’s calling? 2bc3. What is the significance, if any, of these similarities/differences? 2d. What is the significance of J initiating the calling? 13 2e. What is the significance of J calling these people <i>to him</i>? 13 2g1. What is the significance of this group being designated as

<p>h. this is the same verb for making those called earlier “fishers of persons” 14; 1:17</p> <p>i. the action is <i>authoritative</i> 14-15 nature of action note esp. 15 “Who can do this?”</p> <p>3. PURPOSE of appointing (indicated by two ἵνα clauses)</p> <p>a. to be with J 14</p> <p>b. to be sent out 14</p> <p>c. the purpose of the sending is twofold</p> <p>1) to preach 14</p> <p>2) to have authority to cast out demons 15</p> <p>d. the sent activities are those J does (preaching 1:14, 38, 39, 45; casting demons 1:34, 39)</p> <p>e. the first purpose is internally focused 14</p> <p>f. the multiple purposes of the second statement (“b”) are externally oriented 14-15</p> <p>4. IMPLICATIONS of appointing</p> <p>a. 12 take role in extending J’s ministry</p> <p>b. J has both been</p> <p>1) preaching 1:14, 22, 38-39; 2:2, 13</p> <p>2) exorcising authority to cast out demons 1:25-26, 34, 39; 3:11</p> <p>c. If J = God’s specially designated “appointee” (1:1-3), then the 12 = J’s (and thus, God’s) specially designated “appointees”</p>	<p>“twelve”? 14</p> <p>2g2. How does this group differ or be like other named groups around J (e.g. “disciples” or “crowds”) 14</p> <p>3. What do each of these purposes mean? Are the purposes related in any way? If so, how are they related and what is the meaning of this/these relationship(s)? Is the first purpose (“be with him”) a pre-req for the others? 14-15</p> <p>4. What do we learn about the nature of J’s ministry by the fact that he appointed others to do the same things he had been doing? That he appointed “twelve” to do the things he had been doing? In what ways are their ministries of these “appointees” similar to J’s? In what ways are their ministries different from J’s?</p>
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