

Matthew 10 Podcast: Are we biblically based disciples?

Jesus is now putting in the disciples to work in the kingdom of God

Matthew Chapter 1 is showing us that Jesus is the King of Israel.

He is now in Matthew 10:1. After showing and teaching the disciples, he is asking them to go and directly represent the King in towns, villages, and synagogues.

Jesus was launched by John the Baptist, and we see we need the Holy Spirit, Jesus then in the early chapters of Matthew are teaching everyone how to properly interpret the Bible now Jesus is launching His disciples.

How does is this apply to us?

Another name for the podcast is “Jesus is coming to rescue you, the cast off”. Have you ever felt this way, or do you now? If so, Jesus wants to encourage you.

Introduction Beverage, Like and subscribe:

Introduction: We are going to talk about the significance of the very first verse.

Jesus summoned His twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every kind of disease and every kind of sickness.

Mary why do you think it is significant?

From the context, it seems as though Jesus is training his disciples. They had traveled with Him throughout Galilee and went to the synagogues, teaching, seeing the healings, and saw the people who were dispirited. Lost without shepherds who did not teach the

word of God correctly. Jesus is hiring new shepherds/his disciples rather than the current ruling class. We see people who are dispirited in church all the time.

We are going back into chapter 9 and set the stage.

Jesus was going through all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every kind of disease and every kind of sickness. [36](#) Seeing the people, He felt compassion for them, because they were distressed and dispirited like sheep without a shepherd. [37](#) Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. [38](#) "Therefore beseech the

Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest."

This word dispirited means to be cast off. Odd because that is the word picture for casting out a demon. Not the same word

Now the prayer is answered because Jesus is telling His disciples in vs 1 what they are going to do.

We need to break this down: Jesus summoned... This word means to invite, call people to oneself, or summon. It is what a ruler would do. And these are government workers for the kingdom.

The motivation is to go to the lost sheep of Israel.

Christians are not in the Kingdom of Israel, where God is ruling from the land of Israel.

This will happen to fulfill prophecy in the millennial kingdom. We refer to the Kingdom as God ruling in our hearts today.

You heard us use the term government employees now. The 12 tribes represent God's government so that is confirmation of that comment.

He gave the authority over certain things at this time: Unclean Spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every kind of disease and every kind of sickness.

Let's focus on authority. We need to ask this question. Where does God's authority come from? First Himself as the ruler of the Universe and in His word. We must stay within His word. We must be disciples who were learning from Jesus and were hearing His words. How can we expand on this?

Do we have the same authority as the Apostles? Some groups think we do. We can pray for people.

Jesus gave them His authority over these unclean spirits to cast them out.

Greek word is akatharton. Kathairo. These are opposite of clean and Godly. Impure ceremonially or morally flawed and demonic. Foul.

Disease and sickness:

Every kind of disease: Noson. A moral disability. Because the Jews were to be ritually clean all the time this was a type of sin such as alcoholism, sex, evil sex etc that caused the person to be disabled or diseased under the Law. They could be healed. We see this today when people are saved. One is unbelief is evil.

Sickness: softness or disease. Think of someone who

noun

1. a feeling of being drained of energy or vitality; fatigue.
2. Next is someone who is diseased like a floor board that is soft and squishy

The cool part is God is interested in healing us. However, He heals us to salvation first because by His stripes we are healed in Isaiah 53. This is clearly for redemption.

Here are some thought-provoking questions to consider for your podcast discussion:

- What does it mean to possess spiritual authority, and where do we draw the boundaries of this authority in our daily lives?

- How does the authority given to the Apostles differ from the authority that believers have today, if at all?
- Why is it important to root our understanding of authority in the words and teachings of Jesus?
- When we pray for others, what are we truly asking God to accomplish through us?
- How have interpretations of terms like “unclean spirits” and “disease” evolved through church history, and what do these concepts mean in the modern context?
- In what ways do moral and ceremonial impurity intersect, especially in light of Jesus’ ministry of healing?

- How can we discern between spiritual, physical, and emotional conditions—especially when considering healing, deliverance, or restoration?
- What are some examples of “spiritual disabilities” we encounter today, and how can faith communities offer support and healing?
- How do we approach the tension between ancient scriptural definitions of sickness and our contemporary understanding of disease?
- What role does belief or unbelief play in both spiritual and physical well-being, according to scripture?