



WE ARE THE CHURCH—PART 1

WE ARE CALLED OUT

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LISTEN AND OBEY

MARK 3:13-15

Jesus went up the mountain and **summoned those he wanted, and they came to him.** ¹⁴ He appointed twelve, whom he also named apostles, to be with him, to send them out to preach, ¹⁵ and to have authority to drive out demons.

EXODUS 19:4-5

Moses went up the mountain to God, and **the Lord called to him** from the mountain: “This is what you must say to the house of Jacob and explain to the Israelites: ⁴ ‘You have seen what I did to the Egyptians and how I carried you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. ⁵ **Now if you will carefully listen to me and keep my covenant,** you will be my own possession out of all the peoples, although the whole earth is mine, ⁶ and you will be my kingdom of priests and my holy nation.’ These are the words that you are to say to the Israelites.”

GENESIS 12:1-4

The Lord said to Abram:

Go from your land, your relatives, and your father’s house to the land that I will show you.

² I will make you into a great nation, I will bless you, I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing.

³ I will bless those who bless you, I will curse anyone who treats you with contempt, and all the peoples on earth will be blessed through you.

⁴ **So Abram went, as the Lord had told him.**

ACTS 1:12-14

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives, which is near Jerusalem—a Sabbath day’s journey away. ¹³

When they arrived, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying: Peter, John, James, Andrew, Philip, Thomas, Bartholomew, Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus, Simon the Zealot, and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴ **They all were continually united in prayer,** along with the women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

ACTS 2:42

They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching, to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread, and to prayer.

We are the church—hearing God calling us and responding in obedience.

SET APART

2 CORINTHIANS 6:17

Therefore, **come out from among them and be separate, says the Lord;** do not touch any unclean thing, and I will welcome you.

1 SAMUEL 8:19-20

The people refused to listen to Samuel. “No!” they said. “We must have a king over us. ²⁰ **Then we’ll be like all the other nations:** our king will judge us, go out before us, and fight our battles.”

MATTHEW 5:13-16

“You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt should lose its taste, how can it be made salty? It’s no longer good for anything but to be thrown out and trampled under people’s feet.

¹⁴ **“You are the light of the world. A city situated on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ No one lights a lamp and puts it under a basket, but rather on a lampstand, and it gives light for all who are in the house. ¹⁶** In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

We are the church—living holy lives.

SENT OUT

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We are the church—sent by Jesus to the world with His authority, love, and grace.