

“Messengers and Their Mission ”
Matthew 10: 1-15

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The
World

The background of the image is a dark, blurred field of light, primarily in shades of red, orange, and yellow, suggesting a bokeh effect from out-of-focus lights or a fire. The text is centered and rendered in a clean, white, sans-serif font.

But put on the Lord
Jesus Christ, and make
no provision for the
flesh, to fulfill its lusts.
Romans 13:14 NKJV

Verse 1 - 4

Twelve Messengers Are Called

The selection of the 12 was not done off the cuff -

“ and (Jesus) continued all night in prayer to God, and when it was day, He called His disciples to Himself; and from them He chose twelve whom He also named apostles.”

Luke 6: 12b-13

Apostle = “*apostolos*” = sent ones

“Apostle” – One Sent Forth
“The Twelve Apostles” – A select group of Jesus’ disciples ; his inner circle



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70 Disciples (Luke 10:1)

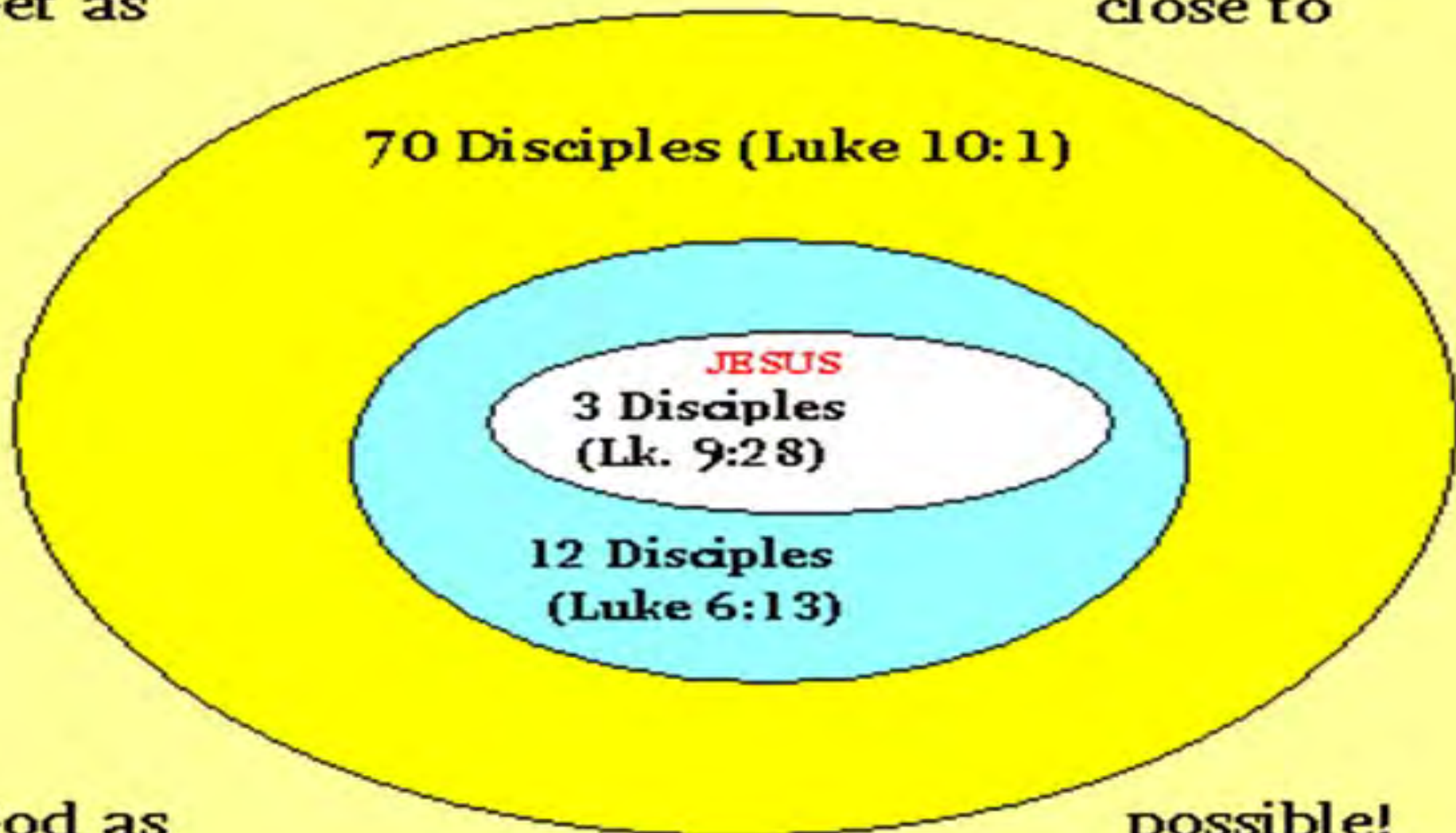
JESUS

3 Disciples
(Lk. 9:28)

12 Disciples
(Luke 6:13)

God as

possible!



Wrong view of Apostles:

NAR – New Apostolic Reformation

God is doing a new end time thing raising up apostles

To make our world suitable for Jesus' return

Our world is not getting better, but worse and worse –

Matthew 24: 37

Luke 18: 8

LET NO ONE DECEIVE YOU

for the Day of the Lord
will not come unless the
apostasy comes first, and
the man of lawlessness
is revealed, the son
of destruction

2 Thessalonians 2-3

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Right view of Apostles:

Apostles of Christ = called by Jesus personally; did signs and wonders; saw the resurrected Jesus

Apostles of the Church = sent ones, to start churches or ministries

Spiritual gift of Apostle = one of the equipping gifts
Ephesians 4: 11-12

The majority of the Apostles of Christ died for their faith, filled with the Holy Spirit

Satan could not deceive them, distract them, nor discourage them!

THEY FOUGHT >

THEY FINISHED >

THEY KEPT THE FAITH!

You have the same Holy Spirit power in you to fight your good fight of faith – 1 Timothy 6: 12

12 were called > 11 finished >

11 fought the good fight of faith!!

Verse 5 - 10

Twelve Messengers to the Jews Only
WHUTT??

Is Jesus prejudiced?

*Biblically ignorant, **progressive** Christians have suggested this*

The salvation message was to the Jewish people first – **Romans 1: 16**

Back story found in **Genesis 11**, *the Tower of Babel*



Pieter Bruegel

LET US BUILD
FOR OURSELVES
A CITY AND A
TOWER

LET US MAKE
FOR OURSELVES
A NAME

GENESIS 11:4
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'The Tower of Babel' by Pieter Bruegel the Elder

⁸ So the LORD scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city.

⁹ Therefore is the name of it called Babel; because the LORD did there confound the language of all the earth: and from thence did the LORD scatter them abroad upon the face of all the earth.

Genesis 11:8-9

God is not prejudiced, not a respecter of persons, and not a face looker!

God looks at the heart!

The salvation message was to the Jews only until the nation rejected the Message

Matthew 12

God now includes all people groups in His offer of salvation – **John 3: 16**


Verse 11 - 15

**Twelve Messengers Join God
Where God is Working**

God prepares the way; God is always at work around us!

Butting your head against a closed door, or a brick wall, is a waste of time!





**SHAKE
OFF
THE DUST
FROM YOUR
FEET**

MATTHEW 10:14

DON'T WASTE YOUR TIME... MOVE ON.

Do not be forceful, demanding, degrading, or ugly!

2 Timothy 2

24 (NIV) And the Lord's servant must not quarrel; instead, he must be kind to everyone, able to teach, not resentful.

25 Those who oppose him he must gently instruct, in the hope that God will grant them repentance leading them to a knowledge of the truth,

26 and that they will come to their senses and escape from the trap of the devil, who has taken them captive to do his will.



Jesus' warning for rejectors:

There is a day of reckoning for those who reject the Savior - **verse 15**

I believe America is in phase 3 of abandoning the True God – **Romans 1: 28-32**

Syncretism is the norm today

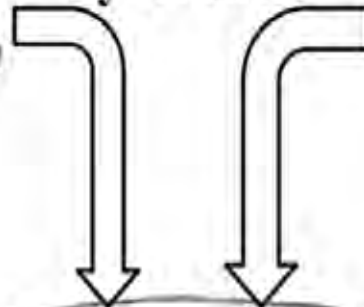
**Man Made
Religious Beliefs**



**God Given
Revelation**



**Religious
Syncretism**



**Blending
Views & Practices**



Religious syncretism is the blending of the doctrines and practices of two or more religions in order to come up with something new.

Closing Thoughts:

- **Definition:** Pantheism is the belief that God consists of everyone and everything. For example, a tree is God, a mountain is God, the universe is God, all people are God.
- Pantheism is found in many "nature" religions and is held by many New Age followers.
- Christianity refutes pantheism. Christianity says that God created everything¹, not that he *is* everything or that everything *is* God. While Christianity teaches that God is omnipresent², or exists everywhere, it separates the Creator from his creations.
- **Example:** People who believe in pantheism think God is the world around them.
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Truth has exited most churches!

The Bible is out > Weekly affirmation is in

The truth dispels the lie –

KEEP SPEAKING THE TRUTH!!

Many pastors are being trained in woke seminaries, filling woke churches and giving woke sermons


WHERE ARE THE MEN OF GOD WHO STAND FOR TRUTH?

Men in America are being conditioned to be boys for life

Flee responsibility, flee honor, flee character, flee being men, and become a hybrid of man/boy

The emasculation of the American male is occurring

C.S. Lewis terms this *“men without chests”*



We make men without chests and expect from them virtue and enterprise. We laugh at honor and are shocked to find traitors in our midst.

C. S. Lewis

quote fancy

WHERE ARE THE MEN OF GOD WHO PREACH THE WORD?

Paul warned this was coming –

2 Timothy 4: 2-5

Verse 5a – *“But you be watchful in all things”*

Key Word: **WATCH!!**

Watchman:

Warn your family, friends, co-workers,
and all people God brings into your path

Men and Women of God:

***“WATCH, stand fast in the faith, be brave,
be strong” 1 Corinthians 16: 13***

***“ . . . endure afflictions, do the work of an
evangelist, fulfill your ministry”
2 Timothy 4: 5b***

May we, *band of brothers and sisters*, fight the good fight of faith – ***TOGETHER!!***

May we not give into the head winds of our time – ***TOGETHER!!***

May we band together as *true followers of Jesus Christ*, encouraging one another and building one another up – ***TOGETHER!!***

The Church throughout history has done this –
we are no exception!!

*We have a message
and a mission*

MAY WE FULFILL OUR MISSION!!





**Let us run with
endurance the race
that is set before us,
fixing our eyes on**

JESUS.

**the author and
finisher of our faith.**

Hebrews 12:1,2

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