

# THE SECRET MINISTRY OF JESUS

## OUTLINE

## INTRODUCTION

### I. ASPECTS OF JESUS' SECRET MINISTRY APPROACH

- A. Jesus took the initiative.
- B. Jesus had the priority of evangelism in discipling his men.
- C. Jesus chose willing men.
- D. Jesus showed sensitivity to these men.
- E. Jesus had a plan.
- F. Jesus chose only a few to disciple.
- G. He prayed before He chose those people.
- H. Jesus had three purposes for His disciples.
  - 1. *Jesus' first purpose was for the disciples to spend time with Him.*
  - 2. *His second goal was to send them out.*
  - 3. *His third goal was to give them power, or authority.*
- I. Jesus chose His disciples on the basis of their potential.
- J. Jesus, to a degree, chose by using the principle of natural affinity.
- K. Jesus took His men with Him.
- L. Jesus knew His Bible well.
- M. The needs of His men were number one priority to Him.
- N. Jesus demonstrated an attitude of availability.
- P. Jesus taught spiritual truth by spiritual example.
- Q. Jesus continually attempted to stretch the faith of His disciples.
- R. Jesus never rebuked His men for lack of ability, only lack of faith.
- S. Jesus sent His men out on evangelism.
- T. Jesus held His men accountable for their assignments
- U. Jesus had retreats with them; special quiet times.

### II. APPLICATION OF JESUS' SECRET MINISTRY

- A. Choose men to be with you.
- B. Select from among them men with potential, and send them out.
- C. Pray and go!!! Pray and go!!!
- D. Specific training given:
- E. Sending students out to do practical ministry assignments.
- F. Holding His team accountable.
- G. We see that Jesus therefore had a plan and a system.
- H. Let us look at the secret purpose of Jesus and its success.

## PRACTICAL ASSIGNMENT