

Chapter 10 (1 - 16)

Many men followed Jesus as "fishers of men", as "disciples". Jesus chose 12 of them and called them "apostles":

Peter and his brother Andrew; Zebedee's sons James and John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew; James son of Alphaeus; Thaddaeus, Simon and Judas

Jesus sent them to prepare his way by visiting the places he would go. He gave them power to cast out evil spirits and to heal all kinds of sicknesses

He said to them: Proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is near. Cure the sick. Raise the dead. Cleanse lepers. Cast out devils

Jesus, please help all Christians to be apostles and fishers of people

Chapter 10 (17 - 42)

Jesus said to his apostles "Because you follow me and speak my message, therefore you will be arrested and put in prison. But don't worry about what to say for your defence. What to say will be given you by the Holy Spirit. Boldly proclaim my message and do not be afraid of persecution. Take up your cross and follow me. Anyone who does not take up his cross and follow me is not worthy of me".

Jesus, please give me more courage