

# JESUS

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# **Calling the Twelve**

**As God, Jesus has authority over  
all of creation.**

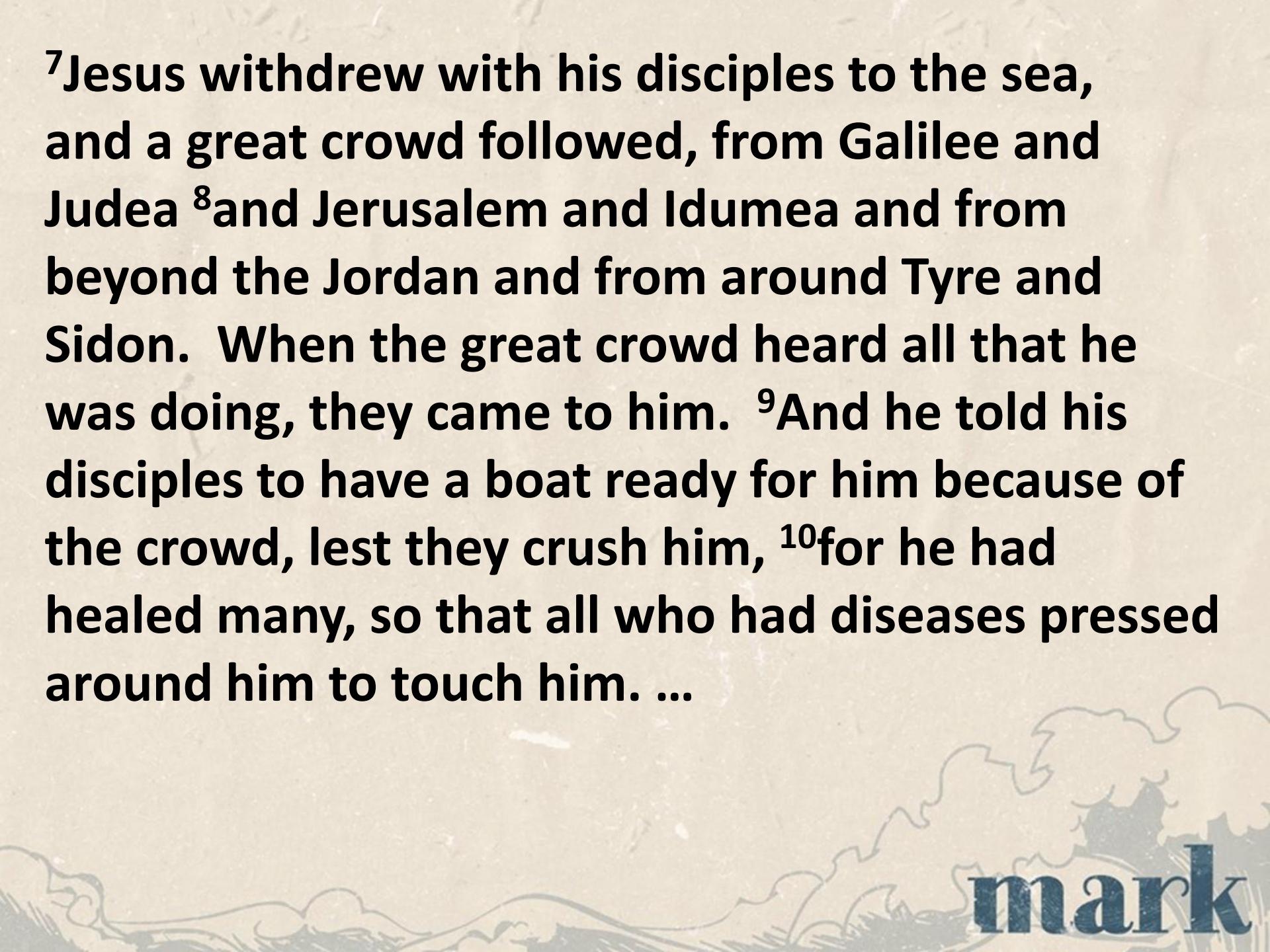
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# **Calling the Twelve**

**Mark 3:7**

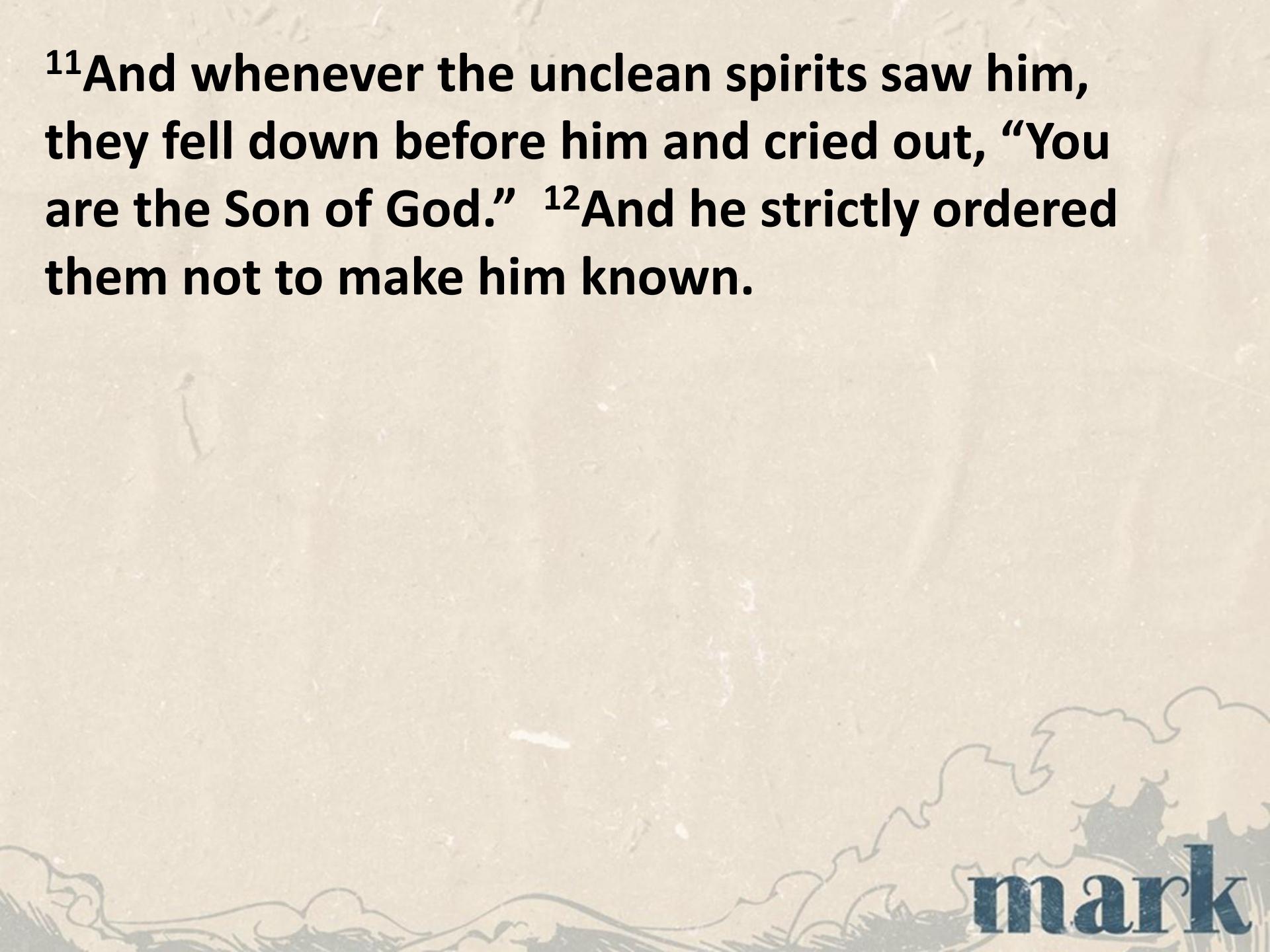
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<sup>7</sup>Jesus withdrew with his disciples to the sea, and a great crowd followed, from Galilee and Judea <sup>8</sup>and Jerusalem and Idumea and from beyond the Jordan and from around Tyre and Sidon. When the great crowd heard all that he was doing, they came to him. <sup>9</sup>And he told his disciples to have a boat ready for him because of the crowd, lest they crush him, <sup>10</sup>for he had healed many, so that all who had diseases pressed around him to touch him. ...



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**11**And whenever the unclean spirits saw him,  
they fell down before him and cried out, “You  
are the Son of God.” **12**And he strictly ordered  
them not to make him known.



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# Spiritual battle going on around us

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**For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but  
against the rulers, against the authorities, against  
the cosmic powers over this present darkness,  
against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly  
places.**

Ephesians 6:12

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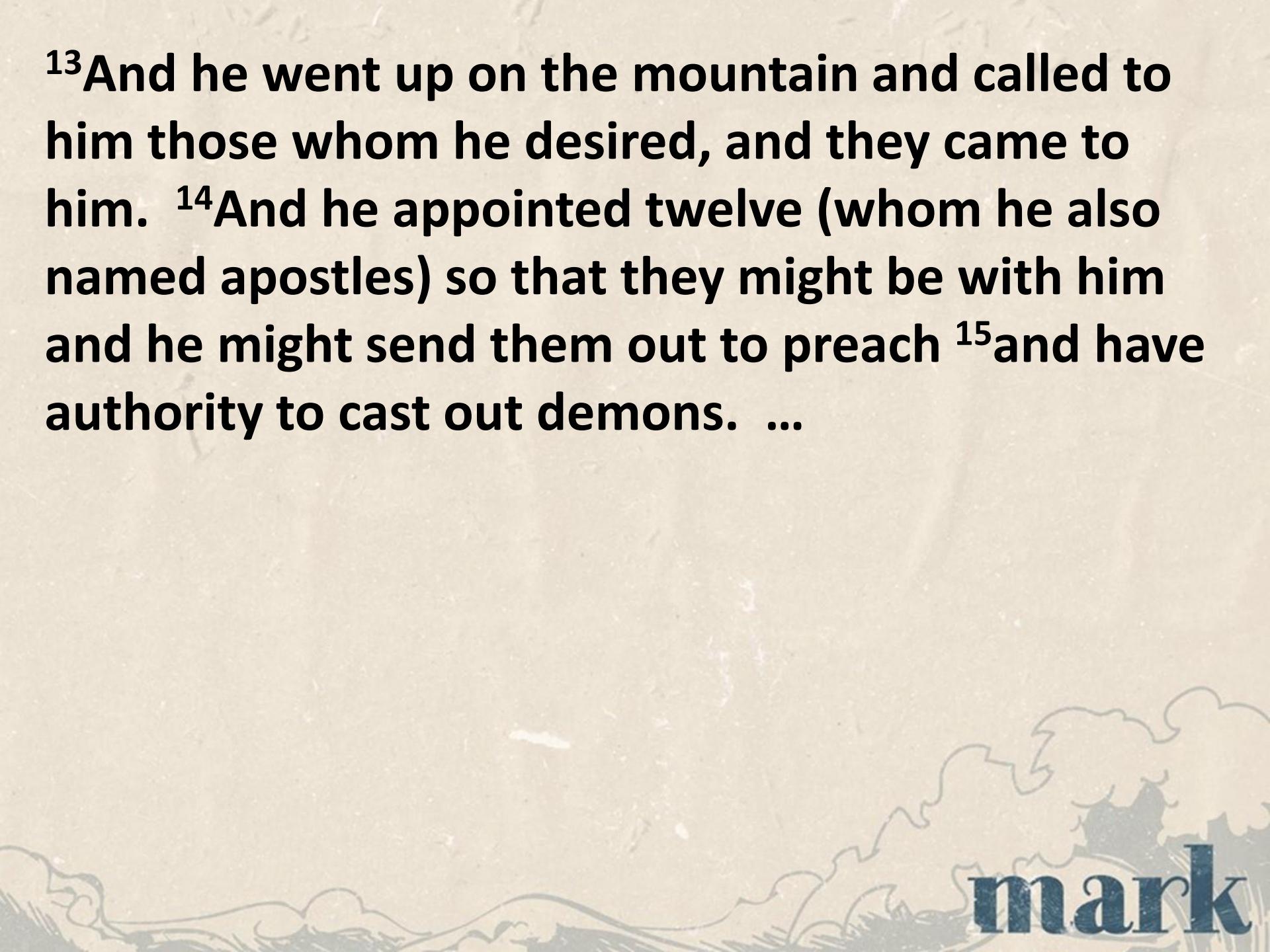
# Exorcisms in Context

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**Be prepared for the ordinary  
attacks of the evil one**

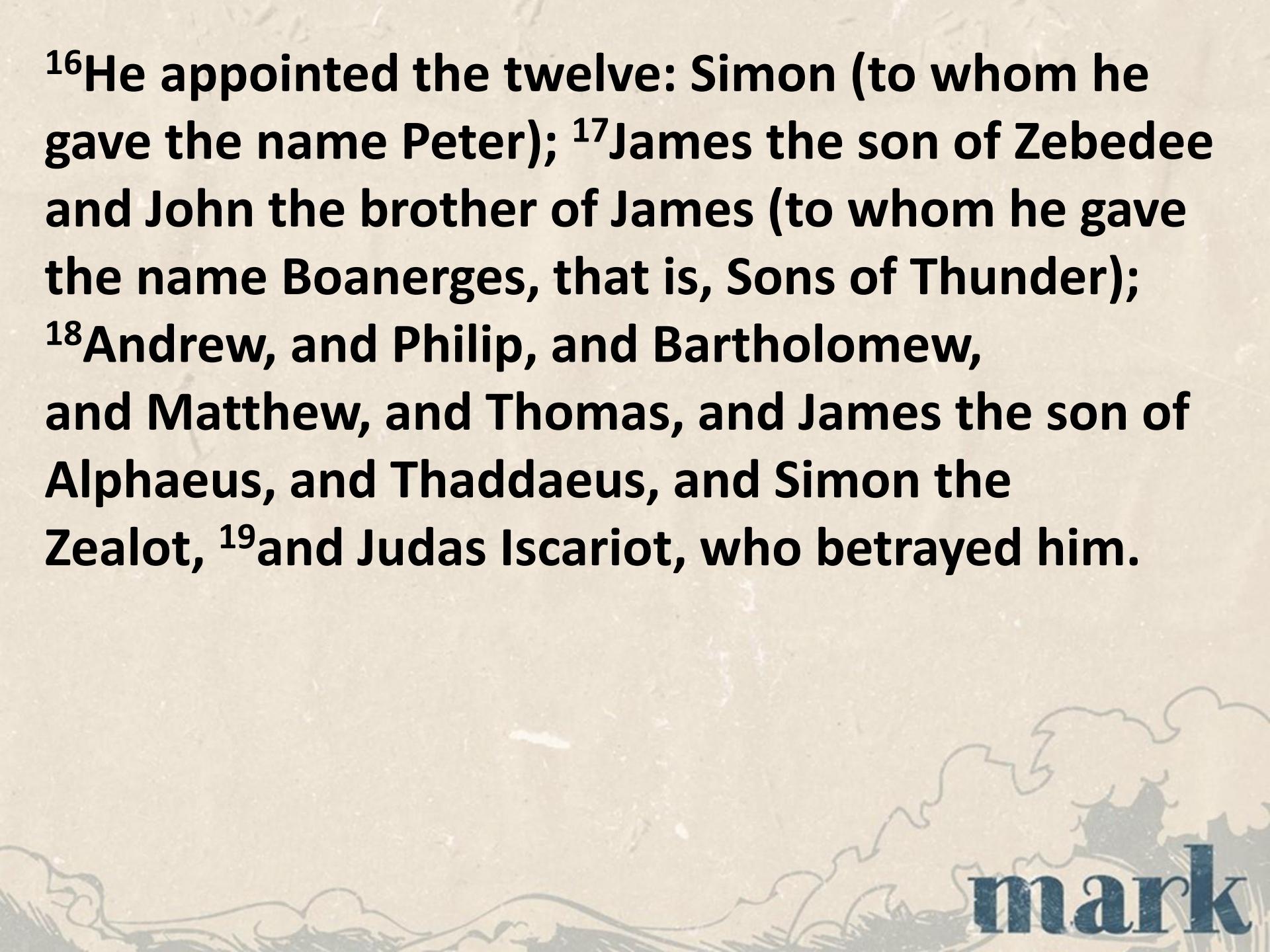
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<sup>13</sup>And he went up on the mountain and called to him those whom he desired, and they came to him. <sup>14</sup>And he appointed twelve (whom he also named apostles) so that they might be with him and he might send them out to preach <sup>15</sup>and have authority to cast out demons. ...



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<sup>16</sup>He appointed the twelve: Simon (to whom he gave the name Peter); <sup>17</sup>James the son of Zebedee and John the brother of James (to whom he gave the name Boanerges, that is, Sons of Thunder); <sup>18</sup>Andrew, and Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus, and Simon the Zealot, <sup>19</sup>and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.



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**During this time of reflection:**

**Are you preparing yourself  
each day for the spiritual  
battle that is going on  
around you?**

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**“Death is swallowed up in victory.”**

**55“O death, where is your victory?**

**O death, where is your sting?”**

**56The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. 57But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**58Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.**

**1 Corinthians 15:54b-58**

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