



Daily Reflections

July 12, 2017

Scripture

Matthew 10: 1-7

Jesus summoned his Twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits to drive them out and to cure every disease and every illness.

The names of the Twelve Apostles are these:

first, Simon called Peter, and his brother Andrew;

James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John;

Philip and Bartholomew,

Thomas and Matthew the tax collector;

James, the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddeus;

Simon the Cananean, and Judas Iscariot

who betrayed Jesus.

Jesus sent out these Twelve after instructing them thus,

"Do not go into pagan territory or enter a Samaritan town.

Go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.

As you go, make this proclamation: 'The Kingdom of heaven is at hand.'"

Our Scripture Reflection

The twelve disciples were common ordinary men, not scholars, not wealthy, not olympians. And once they overcame their lack of humility and weak faith, they became men of wisdom and courage. It's amazing what can happen to us if and when we surrender our lives to Jesus.

Food for your Journey

By entering a monastery, a man throws his life into turmoil, and sacrifices his immediate peace. But he gains peace in the long haul. What struggles are we willing to endure to discover the person God wants us to be?

A Prayer from the Heart

Dear Jesus, Please give me the Grace to humbly turn my life over to You. May I become a loving witness to You. Amen.