

Mark 3:7-19

Ideas from Redeemer Pres. Leaders Guide:

Jesus is beginning to create a new community.

We are watching Jesus minister. We see him sewing, teaching, preaching, training, counseling, healing, liberating. We should ask:

1. How can Jesus carry out this ministry in my life?
2. How can I carry out this ministry in the lives of others?

Context: see Mark 3:6.

Pharisees – religious. Herodians – more secular people. Supported Herod, aligned with Roman Imperial power. They were Jews, but weren't committed religiously.

They would usually have opposed each other, but now they were united, against Jesus.

“when these two ‘poles’ of Jewish leaders meet in unity to destroy Jesus, we have a complete rejection by ‘intitutional’ Israel.” Page 32 of Leaders Guide.

We saw in chapter 1:14-15 that Jesus proclaimed the Kingdom, and now he starts building it:

- New family
- New leadership