

- Introduction :**
1. The authority of Christ is taught throughout Scripture... *Psalm 2:6; Matthew 28:18; Ephesians 1:22...*
 2. Christ is the organic head of the church... *John 15:1ff*
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I. Christ Has All Authority...

- A. He Called the Apostles...** *Matthew 10:1-2a*

Observation:

B. He Empowered those He called... *Matthew 10:1*

1. He gave them miraculous gifts...
2. He still gives ordinary gifts... *Ephesians 4:11-13a cf. Psalm 68*

Observation:

C. The Message is Determined by Christ... *Matthew 10:7*

1. Preachers are to preach the Word alone... *Isaiah 8:20; II Timothy 4:1*
2. Nothing else will do... *I Corinthians 2:1-5*

Observation:

3. It must be the true word and all of it... *Acts 20:20*

Observations:

- 1.
- 2.

II. Unity in Submitting to Christ's Authority... *Matthew 10:2-4*

- A. The Apostles Identified... They are for the most very ordinary men...**
- B. They are different in temperament and background...**
- C. Unity was found in submission to Christ authority...** *Philippians 2:5ff*

Observations:

- 1.
- 2.

III. Gifts are not Proof of the New Birth... *Matthew 10:4*

- A. Christ name Judas...**
- B. An unregenerate man may appear to be genuine...**

Lessons:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

IV. Christ Planted the Seeds for the Continuing Church... *Matthew 10:5-6*

- A. A Specific Yet Limited Mission... to the Jews... The Lost sheep...**
- B. A proper priority...** *Acts 1:8; Romans 1:16; 2:9, 10..*

Observation: