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  - B. The humanity of Jesus is clearly seen by His need of solitude and prayer. (Lk. 6:12)
- IV. The Calling of Jesus is Personal, Unconditional and Irresistible. vv. 13b-14
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- V. The Identity of the Twelve vv.16-19
  - A. Christ chooses to use men from lowly backgrounds.  
(Matth. 10:2-4, Lk. 6:14-16, Acts 1:13, Gen. 35:22, 49:1ff, Jn. 1:42, Lk. 9:53, Jn. 14:5-6)
  - B. Do you understand the theological significance of this?  
(Zech. 2:10-11, Eph. 2:20, 1 Cor. 1:26-29, Matth. 19:28, Rom. 2:28-29, Rom. 9:11, Gal. 3:29, Gal. 6:15)
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