



**Title** | Ordinary Lives, Extraordinary Ways  
**Series** | So You Can Know For Sure  
**Text** | Luke 6:12-19  
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# Sermon Notes

Luke 6:12 In these days he went out to the mountain to pray, and all night he continued in prayer to God. 13 And when day came, he called his disciples and chose from them twelve, whom he named apostles: 14 Simon, whom he named Peter, and Andrew his brother, and James and John, and Philip, and Bartholomew, 15 and Matthew, and Thomas, and James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon who was called the Zealot, 16 and Judas the son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor. 17 And he came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, 18 who came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. And those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. 19 And all the crowd sought to touch him, for power came out from him and healed them all. ESV

## Big Idea:

1 Corinthians 1:28 God chose things despised by the world, things counted as nothing at all, and used them to bring to nothing what the world considers important. 29 As a result, no one can ever boast in the presence of God. ESV

## For Reflection and Application:

### Monday:

Read Luke 6:12-13. Why did Jesus spend all night in prayer? What lesson can you learn from Jesus about how to make important decisions? How can you apply it?

### Tuesday:

Read Luke 6:13-16. Why did Jesus choose Judas Iscariot to be an apostle?

### Wednesday

Read Luke 6:13-16. The only thing extraordinary about the group is that Jesus would choose such ordinary men to be his disciples. It's such a diverse group of personalities that we can all see ourselves somewhere in there. Why did Jesus choose these men? How might this relate to 1 Corinthians 1:26-31?

### Thursday:

Merry Christmas! Read Luke 6:17-19. As the apostles came down from the mountain to throngs of needy people, how do you think they felt? What did they do? It would be nearly a year before Jesus would send them out to do what they had watched him do. In the meantime, they may have felt like nobodies who do nothing. What can we learn from this?

### Friday:

A lesson from Luke 6:12-19 is that Jesus can use ordinary lives in extraordinary ways. How can you apply this? How can you allow Jesus to use you?

### Daily Prayer:

Lord, thank you for using ordinary lives in extraordinary ways. I am at your disposal today. Please use me. Amen.

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