



MIRACLES

- Miracles are at the foundation of biblical faith
- Christ equipped the 12 Disciples with the authority to perform “miracles”
- Quantum Physics is disproving much of what classic science thought was true about nature/the Universe
- Super-natural meaning something that doesn't obey the laws of nature is now being challenged
- Miracles seem to be built-in to the substance of the Universe

THE FIRST.....AND THE.....LAST



- **Protos** = 1st in rank Peter was preeminent
- Mark 6:7 Disciples sent out in pairs
- Simon the Zealot Kananites NOT Canaanites
- **Shim'on** belonged to a group of Jewish militants
- **Y'hudah** = Judas
- **Siqariyim** = a violent splinter group of the Zealots
- Simon and Judas paired together; a natural team?



EVANGELISTS HAVE NO UNIVERSAL PROFILE

- Like minded people from the same culture that is being evangelized often is the most effective team
- Christ did NOT seek conformity
- The 12 Disciples: some fisherman, a Tax Collector, and 2 militant political activists
- They were sent ONLY to the “House of Israel”
- Yeshua’s focus was strictly on the seed of Abraham, not on gentiles....yet

THE DIVIDING LINE: BEFORE AND AFTER RESURRECTION



- Pre-resurrection: only Israel
- Post-resurrection: gentiles included
- Paul was the 2nd generation of Evangelists who took the message to gentile nations.... with Jews involved
- It may be easier to teach to a blank tablet than to those who must unlearn wrong things before they can learn right things
- Pre-resurrection message: The Kingdom of God is near

THE WHO, WHAT, AND HOW OF EVANGELISM



- Some material fashioned for mature Believers, other material for young Believers, some for Seekers
- The older Believer is usually more mature in their faith than the youthful Believer; each has a different focus
- What matters to each of these groups varies with age, circumstance, and culture
- Yeshua sent out different Disciples to different Jewish groups

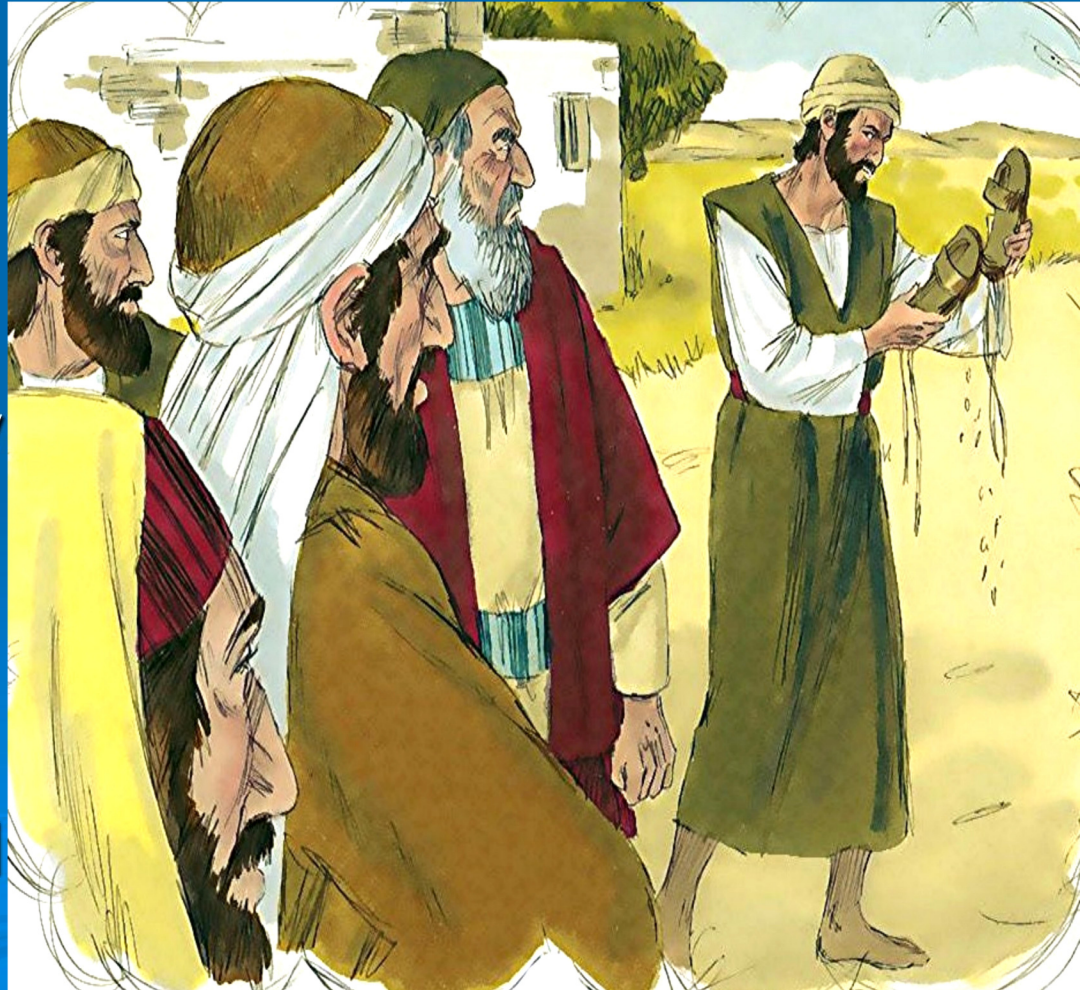
THE CULTURE OF HOSPITALITY



- Authority is granted by another of higher authority
- The 12 Disciples would travel around the Holy Land
- They were to look for someone trustworthy to stay with before they asked for hospitality
- “*Shalom Aleikhim*” a Jewish courtesy; a blessing that could be given, then taken back and removed

SHAKE THE DUST OFF YOUR FEET!

- Yeshua sent His Disciples out without the basic necessities
- A true faith ministry means the likelihood of real discomfort
- Not asking for money would have been admired
- Today, there is no way to do ministry without funding
- If the Disciples were unwelcome in a town, they were to leave and not look back





- Beware that you don't become the cause of dissention within your Church or Synagogue
- Saying that you'll fight the good fight to have your doctrinal views heard or adopted is wrong minded
- Going to a communal worship service ought to be a joy, and not a negative experience !

CONSEQUENCES ON JUDGMENT DAY



- Yeshua says those towns that reject the message and the messenger will suffer on Judgment Day
- The consequence will be like that of Sodom and Gomorrah
- The Jewish people believed Judgment Day was very near, but that it would only fall upon the gentiles
- Yeshua's warning makes it clear it would fall also on the Jews and on the Holy Land