

3 WOMEN⁺ & JESUS! LUKE 8:1-3

(The team behind the team!)

The Lord is the center of all...

Luke 8:4 And when much people were gathered together, **and were come to him** out of every city, he spake by a parable:

The twelve - in training, living & working WITH Him!

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The 3 women⁺

1. The 3 women⁺ **helped** the team!

How did they help?

➤ **Not as part of the team**

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➤ **Not as camp followers**

➤ **It seems as periodic followers that came & went**

Luke 23:27 And there followed him a great company of people, **and of women**, which also bewailed and lamented him.

Luke 23:49 And all his acquaintance, and the women that followed him from Galilee, stood afar off, beholding these things.

Luke 23:55 And the women also, which came with him from Galilee, followed after, and beheld the sepulchre, and how his body was laid.

➤ **As three of a much larger group!**

Luke 8:3 And Joanna the wife of Chuza Herod's steward, and Susanna, **and many others**, which ministered unto him of their substance.

Matthew 27:55 And many women were there beholding afar off, which followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering unto him:

Matthew 27:56 Among which was Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joses, and the mother of Zebedee's children.

2. The 3 women⁺ helped **because they had been helped!**

Luke 8:2 And certain women, **which had been healed of** evil spirits and infirmities, Mary called Magdalene, **out of whom went seven devils,**

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Mary Magdalene: delivered from 7 demons

Joana – wife of Chuza, a steward of Herod (Antipas)

Luke 24:10 It was Mary Magdalene, and Joanna, and Mary the mother of James, and other women that were with them, which told these things unto the apostles.

Susanna:

Thoughts:

- 3 known women
- 3 women known for God's amazing grace
- Women, not the sinful woman of Luke 7
- 3 women **illustrating** God's mercy & grace

Luke 7:42 And when they had nothing to pay, he frankly forgave them both. **Tell me therefore, which of them will love him most?**

Luke 7:43 Simon answered and said, **I suppose that he, to whom he forgave most.** And he said unto him, **Thou hast rightly judged.**

Luke 7:47 Wherefore I say unto thee, **Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; for she loved much: but to whom little is forgiven, the same loveth little.**

Luke 7:48 And he said unto her, Thy sins are forgiven.

3. The 3 women⁺ helped **over time!**

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JAMES THE BROTHER OF JOHN

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Mark 3:13 And he goeth up into a mountain, and calleth unto him whom he would: and they came unto him.

Mark 3:14 And he ordained twelve, that they should be with him, and that he might send them forth to preach,

Mark 3:15 And to have power to heal sicknesses, and to cast out devils:

Mark 3:16 And Simon he surnamed Peter; **Mark 3:17** And **James the son of Zebedee, and John the brother of James;** and he surnamed them Boanerges, which is, The sons of thunder: **Mark 3:18** And Andrew, and Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus, and Simon the Canaanite, **Mark 3:19** And Judas Iscariot, which also betrayed him: And they went into an house.

What do we know about James?

1. One of two

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Mark 3:17 And **James the son of Zebedee, and John the brother of James;** and he surnamed them Boanerges, which is, The sons of thunder:

Matthew 20:20 Then came to him **the mother of Zebedee's children with her sons, worshipping him, and desiring a certain thing of him.** **Matthew 20:21** And he said unto her, What wilt thou? She saith unto him, Grant that these my two sons may sit, the one on thy right hand, and the other on the left, in thy kingdom.

Facts:

- Son of
- Brother of
- Son of a

Jealous for her sons → maybe too

- Son(s) of

What does this mean?

Or the opposite?

2. One of three

Mark 5:36 As soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken, he saith unto the ruler of the synagogue, Be not afraid, only believe. **Mark 5:37** And he suffered no man to follow him, **save Peter, and James, and John** the brother of James.

Mark 9:2 And after six days **Jesus taketh with him Peter, and James, and John**, and leadeth them up into an high mountain apart by themselves: and he was transfigured before them.

Mark 13:3 And as he sat upon the mount of Olives over against the temple, **Peter and James and John and Andrew** asked him privately,

Mark 14:33 And **he taketh with him Peter and James and John**, and began to be sore amazed, and to be very heavy; **Mark 14:34** And saith unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful unto death: tarry ye here, and watch.

Thoughts:

- They were allowed
- With Him on the M
- With Him for special
- With Him in the G

→ when others were not

What do we make of this?

- I'm not 100% sure
- All the Lord's
- Not about the men th

Mount:

Temple:

Garden:

- A great pr & therefore a great r
- If it happens, it

Rejoice & be glad

3. One of twelve

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One of twelve:

Matthew 10:1 And when he had called unto him **his twelve disciples**, he gave them power against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease. **Matthew 10:2** **Now the names of the twelve apostles are these;** The first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother;

Matthew 10:5 **These twelve** Jesus sent forth, and commanded them, saying, Go not into the way of the Gentiles, and into any city of the Samaritans enter ye not:

Matthew 11:1 And it came to pass, when Jesus had made an end of commanding **his twelve disciples**, he departed thence to teach and to preach in their cities.

Matthew 20:17 And Jesus going up to Jerusalem took **the twelve disciples** apart in the way, and said unto them,

Matthew 26:14 Then one of **the twelve**, called Judas Iscariot, went unto the chief priests,

Matthew 26:20 Now when the even was come, he sat down with **the twelve**.

Matthew 26:47 And while he yet spake, lo, Judas, one of **the twelve**, came, and with him a great multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests and elders of the people.

Acts 6:2 Then **the twelve** called the multitude of the disciples unto them, and said, It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and serve tables.

1 Corinthians 15:5 And that he was seen of Cephas, then of **the twelve**:

Revelation 21:14 And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and in them the names of the **twelve apostles** of the Lamb.

4. One of one & gone too soon!

Acts 12:1 Now about that time Herod the king stretched forth his hands to vex certain of the church. **Acts 12:2** **And he killed James the brother of John with the sword.**

Acts 12:17 But **he**, beckoning unto them with the hand to hold their peace, declared unto them how the Lord had brought him out of the prison. And **he** said, **Go shew these things unto James**, and to the brethren. And he departed, and went into another place.

Thoughts:

- Do we remember Matthew 20:22-23?
- God has His own
- God is
- We s & s

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What do we find about James the son of Alphaeus?

1. The **other** James

Mark 3:18 And Andrew, and Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and **James the son of Alphaeus**, and Thaddaeus, and Simon the Canaanite,

Luke 6:15 Matthew and Thomas, **James the son of Alphaeus**, and Simon called Zelotes,

Acts 1:13 And when they were come in, they went up into an upper room, where abode both Peter, and James, and John, and Andrew, Philip, and Thomas, Bartholomew, and Matthew, **James the son of Alphaeus**, and Simon Zelotes, and Judas the brother of James. **Acts 1:14** These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brethren.

Thoughts:

- **Mentioned in all**
- **Listed as an**
- **Listed as the** **of Alphaeus**

What was the purpose of this?

I'm James but NOT that James!

2. The **lesser** James

Mark 15:40 There were also women looking on afar off: among whom was Mary Magdalene, **and Mary the mother of James the less** (Ἰακώβου τοῦ μικροῦ) and of Joses, and Salome;

Mark 16:1 And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, **and Mary the mother of James**, and Salome, had bought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint him.

Matthew 27:56 Among which was Mary Magdalene, and **Mary the mother of James** and Joses, and the mother of Zebedee's children.

James = (Ἰάκωβος) →

The less = (μικρός) which means:

- **Y**
- **Sm**
- **Less im** **/ less well**

It seems there are **James mentioned in the NT.**

Not all agree. Liberals do not assume a **& might end up with**

Our assumptions (drawn from many texts & ideas):

- **The authors k** **the men**
- **The authors were not c**
- **The authors certainly were not m** **s** **up → much later for**

- (We also assume) The authors were not attempting to t us e
- The authors will assume m
- Things we cannot know the exact same way!

Think Wisconsin:

Think deer stand:

James the less:

- Younger → m
- Smaller → p
- Less important → pr

As are all of us!

But not, not important! Or, not unimportant!

Ephesians 6:8 Knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive of the Lord, whether he be bond or free.

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3. The apostle James

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We don't know much, but we know he was exceptionally important!

Ephesians 2:20 And are built upon **the foundation of the apostles and prophets**, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone;

Ephesians 3:5 Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, **as** it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;

Ephesians 4:11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; **Ephesians 4:12** **For** the perfecting of the saints, **for** the work of the ministry, **for** the edifying of the body of Christ: **Ephesians 4:13** Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

Apostles given for:

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JAMES THE JUST

James 1:1 JAMES, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad, greeting.

Matthew 13:53 And it came to pass, that when Jesus had finished these parables, he departed thence.

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Mark 6:2 And when the sabbath day was come, he began to teach in the synagogue: and many hearing him were astonished, saying, **From whence hath this man these things?** and what wisdom is this which is given unto him, that even such mighty works are wrought by his hands? **Mark 6:3 Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary, the brother of James, and Joses, and of Juda, and Simon? and are not his sisters here with us? And they were offended at him.**

1. James the Lord's brother

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Jude 1 JUDE, the servant of Jesus Christ, **and** brother of James, to them that are sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ, and called:

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We must be careful, very careful about what we know...& say...& even joke about!

You thought you had an irritating brother (HaHaHaHaHa)

Matthew 1:22 Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, **Matthew 1:23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son,** and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us. **Matthew 1:24** Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife: **Matthew 1:25 And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name JESUS.**

2. James the unbeliever

John 7:1 After these things Jesus walked in Galilee: for he would not walk in Jewry, because the Jews sought to kill him. **John 7:2** Now the Jews' feast of tabernacles was at hand. **John 7:3** His brethren therefore said unto him, Depart hence, and go into Judaea, that thy disciples also may see the works that thou doest. **John 7:4** For there is no man that doeth any thing in secret, and he himself seeketh to be known openly. If thou do these things, shew thyself to the world.

John 7:5 For neither did his brethren believe in him.

What do we know?

- Mary b
- Joseph **also** b
- His brother's d

→ but probably already

There's a lot to take in

They knew he was d

They knew he performed m

They knew he had a m

- As for His sisters → nothing is k except that He had

3. James the eyewitness of the resurrected Christ &...a believer!

1 Corinthians 15:7 After that, he was seen of James; then of all the apostles.

1 Corinthians 15:8 And last of all he was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time.

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James salvation:

- Took t → it happened in a moment but often takes
- Included the r
- Happened before P
- Included the
- Changed e

4. James the leader of the Jerusalem Church

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Acts 21:18 And the day following Paul went in with us unto **James**; and all the elders were present.

This agrees with Paul:

Galatians 1:19 But other of the apostles saw I none, save **James the Lord's brother**.

Galatians 2:9 And when **James, Cephas, and John, who seemed to be pillars**, perceived the grace that was given unto me, they gave to me and Barnabas the right hands of fellowship; that we should go unto the heathen, and they unto the circumcision.

Galatians 2:12 For before that certain came from **James**, he did eat with the Gentiles: but when they were come, he withdrew and separated himself, fearing them which were of the circumcision.

1 Corinthians 9:3 Mine answer to them that do examine me is this, 1 Corinthians 9:4 Have we not power to eat and to drink? 1

Corinthians 9:5 Have we not power to lead about a sister, a wife, as well as other apostles, **and as the brethren of the Lord**, and Cephas?

What do we know?

- **One of the three**
- **After the d** of James
- **A lead / senior**
- **A very J** pastor

Jews didn't need to become gentiles

Gentiles didn't have to become Jews

- **Same gospel & beliefs**

Acts 15:7 And when there had been much disputing, **Peter** rose up, and said unto them, Men and brethren, ye know how that a good while ago God made choice among us, that the Gentiles by my mouth should hear the word of the gospel, and believe. Acts 15:11 But we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved, even as they.

Acts 15:12 Then all the multitude kept silence, and gave audience to **Barnabas and Paul**, declaring what miracles and wonders God had wrought among the Gentiles by them.

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Process of elimination:

- **James, John's brother, is**
- **James the less → is**
- **James, the Lord's ½ brother, is the only**

6. James the Just

According to Josephus - AD 62 by stoning

According to others - AD 69 by being thrown off the pinnacle of the temple & then beaten to death with a club.