

“They Had Been With Jesus”

Lesson Text: **Acts 4:8-13.**

I. Being A Christian Is Being With Jesus.

- Becoming A Christian Begins With Our Uniting With Christ- **Romans 6:5-8.**
- Everything We Do Revolves Around Jesus: Faith, Repentance, Confession....
- The Christian Is In Christ And With Christ, And Christ In In Him And With Him.
- How Are We With Christ? Not Physically Like The Disciples....
 - (1)** By Spending Time With Jesus In His Word:
 - **Psalm 1:1-3; 1 Timothy 4:13-16.** The Disciples Did, And So Should We...
 - (2)** By Spending Time With Jesus In Worship:
 - Praying Through the Name of Jesus- **John 14:13-14; Hebrews 7:25.**
 - Singing Songs About Jesus- **Colossians 3:16-17.**
 - Communing With Christ- **1 Corinthians 11:23-26.**
 - (3)** By Spending Time With Jesus In Service.
 - **Acts 10:38; Mark 9:41; 1 Corinthians 16:15-16.**
- What Are The Results Of Not Being With Jesus? **Matthew 12:30.**

II. Godly Character Is Developed By Being With Jesus.

- Courage And Conviction- **Acts 4:13; Luke 13:31-32; Matthew 23.**
- Purity Of Heart- **Matthew 5:8; 1 Peter 2:21-22; Hebrews 12:14.**
- The Spirit Of Sacrifice & Unselfishness- **2 Corinthians 8:9; 12:15.**
- All Growth Is Because We Have Been With Jesus- **2 Peter 3:18.**

III. The World Will Recognize That, Only If It Is True.

- Notice: **Acts 4:13.**
- Who We Spend Time With Will Influence Us To Be Like Them:
 - **Psalm 1:1; 1 Corinthians 15:33; 2 Peter 3:17.**
- If We Spend Time In the Word/Jesus- **1 Timothy 4:15.**
- **Philippians 2:14-16.**