

Jesus and the Eleven Mistakes

Did Jesus Need a
Management Consultant?

Management Memo

- ▶ Thank you for submitting the resumes of the twelve men you have picked for management positions in your new organization. All of them have now taken our battery of tests, and we not only have run the results through our computer, but also arranged personal interviews for each of them with our psychologist and vocational aptitude consultant.

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- ▶ The profiles of all tests are included, and you will want to study them carefully. As part of our service we will make some general comments. These are given as a result of staff consultation and come without any additional fee.

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- ▶ It is the staff opinion that most of your nominees are lacking in background, education and vocational aptitude for the type of enterprise you are undertaking. They do not have the team concept. We recommend you continue with your search.

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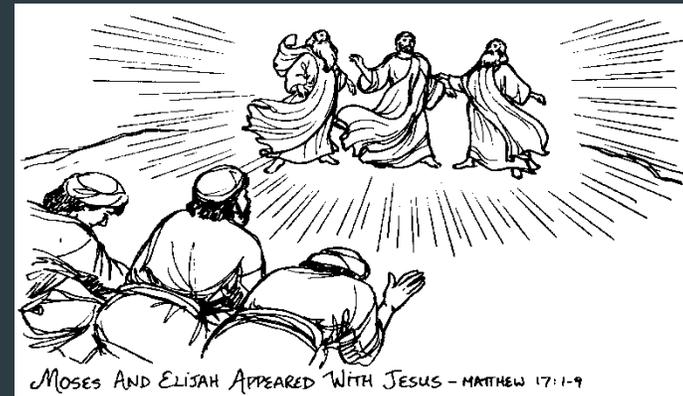
- ▶ Simon Peter is emotionally unstable and given to fits of temper. Andrew has absolutely no qualities of leadership. The brothers, James and John, place personal interest above company loyalty. Thomas has a skeptical attitude that would tend to undermine morale. It is our duty to tell you that Matthew has been blacklisted by the Greater Jerusalem Better Business Bureau. James, the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddeus have radical leanings and show a high score on the manic - depressive scale.

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- ▶ Only one shows great potential - ability, resourcefulness, a business mind, meets people well, ambitious, highly motivated. We recommend Judas Iscariot as your controller and right-hand man.
- ▶ From *Communications Resources*

Simon Peter

- ▶ Luke 5:1 - 11
- ▶ Matthew 16:
 - ▶ 13 - 16
 - ▶ 21 - 23
- ▶ Matthew 17:1 - 8; Luke 9:28 - 35



Matthew - Tax Collector

- ▶ Luke 5:27 - 30
 - ▶ Capernaum
 - ▶ Caesarea
 - ▶ Jericho
- ▶ Matthew 9:9 - 13; 10:3 “The tax - collector”



Simon the Zealot

- ▶ Matthew 10:3; Luke 6:15 “who was called”
- ▶ Zealots - a party of the Jews
 - ▶ From the time of the Maccabees who exhibited great zeal for the Law.
 - ▶ Resorted to violence in their hatred of foreigners (Rome).
 - ▶ “mere party of assassins” Josephus

James and John

- ▶ Luke 9:51 - 55
- ▶ Call down fire from heaven on Samaritans



Ambitions of the Twelve

- ▶ Matt. 19:23 - 29 If the rich can't be saved
- ▶ Who is the greatest?
 - ▶ Matthew 18:1 - 4
 - ▶ Mark 9:33 - 37
 - ▶ Top positions (Matt. 20:18-28; Mark 10:35)
 - ▶ Passover posturing (Lk.22: 24 - 26; John 13:3 - 9)



Somebody Better?

- ▶ These came when He called (Mt. 19:27)
- ▶ Jesus accepts those who come (Mt. 11:28)
- ▶ These believed; others rejected (Jn. 6:66)
- ▶ Lord did not need consultants (Jn. 2:24)

Jesus Calls

- ▶ Will you come?
- ▶ Matthew 28:19 - 20