12 APOSTOLIC MEN

The Apostles’ Callings

KNOWLEDGE OBJECTIVES

1. To be able to ______ the 12 apostles
2. To understand ______ they were chosen
3. To see the types of people God chooses
4. To better understand their personalities
5. To see how time with Jesus changed them
6. To recognize their symbols in everyday life

WHO ARE THEY?

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HOW DID THEY GET THERE?

1. BET SAFAR (HOUSE OF THE _______)
   Age: 5/6-10/12; Memorize: Law (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy)
   Learn: Read, write, recite, and love God’s Word and a working knowledge of the Torah

2. BET TALMUD (HOUSE OF _______)
   Age: 10/12-14/15; Memorize: Prophets and Writings (Joshua—Malachi)
   Learn: The art of questions and answers

3. BET MIDRASH (HOUSE OF ____________)
   Age: 14/15-30
   Learn: Rabbi’s yoke, application of oral and written law (being like the rabbi—a ____________)

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How did each respond to the call?

1. **PETER, ANDREW, JAMES, AND JOHN**
   
   Matthew 4:18-22
   
   18 Why were they fishermen? They were not the ______

2. **PHILIP AND BARTHOLOMEW**
   
   John 1:35-51

3. **MATTHEW**
   
   Matthew 9:9 details the calling of Matthew

APPLY (SO WHAT IS THE POINT?)

1. Order matters
2. The ______ chooses
3. Discipleship is ______

PERSONALIZE (NOW WHAT DO I DO?)

1. Understand my place
2. Say, “Yes”
3. Get ______

RESOURCES

The Gospels, *12 Angry Men*

*The Twelve Apostles* (to the tune of “Jesus loves me”)

Jesus called them one by one, 
Peter, Andrew, James and John, 
Next, came Philip, Thomas too, 
Matthew and Bartholomew.

Yes, Jesus called them, 
Yes, Jesus called them, 
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He called them one by one.

James the one they called the less, 
Simon, also Thaddaeus, 
Twelfth apostle Judas made, 
Jesus was by him betrayed.

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The Apostles’ Characters

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HOMEWORK CHECK
Can you name all 12 apostles?

1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9  10  11  12

WHAT WERE THEY LIKE?
WHAT WERE THEY KNOWN FOR?
WHAT THEOLOGY DO WE LEARN FROM THEM?

First Third (Inner Circle)
PETER (SIMON, SIMON PETER, PETER)
Brother of _________ and a fisherman: Matthew 4:18

___________: Matthew 8:14

Given the _______ of the kingdom of heaven: Matthew 16:16-19

Impulsive: John 18:10

Theology
Matthew 16:16: Jesus is the _________
JAMES (SON OF ZEBEDEE) & JOHN (SON OF ZEBEDEE)
Brothers and fishermen: Matthew 4:21

_________________: Luke 9:51-56

Named the “Sons of Thunder” by Jesus: Mark 3:17

Note: the apostle John is not John the __________

Note: the apostle James is not the author of James

Theology
Luke 9:51-56: Jesus came to ______

Mark 10:35-45: The greatest is the __________

ANDREW
Brother of ________ and a fisherman: Matthew 4:18

A __________ of John the Baptist: John 1:35-40

Theology
John 1:40-42a, 6:1-9; 12:20-22: ________ people to Jesus

Second Third (next week)
Philip
Thomas, Didymus, Judas Thomas
Bartholomew, Nathanael
Matthew, Levi

Third Third (next week)
James (son of Alphaeus)
Simon, Simon the Zealot
Thaddaeus, Judas, Lebbaeus
Judas Iscariot

APPLY (SO WHAT IS THE POINT?)
1. God’s followers are ______________
2. Questions get answered
3. Everyone has a role

PERSONALIZE (NOW WHAT DO I DO?)
1. Appreciate the diversity
2. ______ away
3. Be ____________

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Second Third

PHILIP
From Bethsaida (the same city as Andrew and Peter): John 1:44-46

Practical/Analytical: John 6:1-7: We calculate too much and ___ too little

Theology
John 12:20-26: The Father honors those that serve Jesus
John 14:1-11: Jesus is in the Father and the Father is in Jesus

THOMAS, DIDYMUS, JUDAS THOMAS
_______: John 11: 1-16:

Theology
John 14:5-6: Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life

BARTHOLOMEW, NATHANAEAL
John 1:43-51

MATTHEW, LEVI
A _____ collector: Matthew 9:9

Theology
Luke 5:32: Jesus came for sinners
Third Third

JAMES (SON OF ALPHAEUS)
Have you ever sat on the bench and watched someone else play or get the limelight?

SIMON, SIMON THE ZEALOT, SIMON THE CANANITE
Was a ________: Luke 6:15

THADDAEUS, JUDAS, LEBBAEUS
John 14:19-24:

Theology
John 14:23-24: Jesus lovers are obedient

JUDAS ISCARIOT
Betrayed Jesus: Matthew 10:4
Tightwad: John 12:1-8
Treasurer: John 13:29

Theology
John 12:8: The ______ will always be with us (and so will apostates)

APPLY (SO WHAT IS THE POINT?)
1. Jesus was intentional about the ______________
2. Questions are critical
3. Roles are not fair

PERSONALIZE (NOW WHAT DO I DO?)
1. Appreciate the diversity
2. _____ away
3. Be ____________
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The Apostles’ Commission

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WHERE DID THEY GO NEXT?

HOW ARE THEY REMEMBERED?

Apostles’ General Importance

1. Their ministry as _______________ for the resurrection (Acts 1:8)
2. Their ministry as _______________ (Matthew 28:18-20)

Peter

According to the traditions of the early church, he was crucified ________ down

Peter’s symbol is _____ (Matthew 16:19)

James (son of Zebedee)

The account of his death is in Acts 12:1-2. James was the first of the twelve to be martyred and the ______ one of the Apostles whose death after Jesus’ ascension is mentioned in the New Testament.

John

As far as we know, John was the only apostle _____ martyred

Andrew

Tradition tells us that Andrew was crucified on an __-shaped cross
Philip

Thomas
John 20:24-29. A few weeks/months/years later, Thomas walked more than 3,000 miles and took the gospel to ________

Bartholomew
In Michelangelo’s “Last Judgment” he is pictured as flayed and holding his own ______

Matthew

James (son of Alphaeus)

Simon

Judas

Judas Iscariot
Killed himself (Matthew 27:3-10). In art, he never has a ______.

APPLY (SO WHAT IS THE POINT?)
1. It’s not about how you start, it’s about how you ______
2. Sometimes we are remembered for the ________ things

PERSONALIZE (NOW WHAT DO I DO?)
1. Finish well
2. Pay attention to the ________ things

RESOURCES