

# THE APOSTLES

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## **Andrew**

**Where From:** Bethsaida in Galilee

Acts 2:7 And they were amazed and marvelled, saying, 'Why, are not all these who are speaking Galileans?'

Acts 1:11

**Relatives:** Brother-Simon Peter

Previous Vocation: Fisherman

He was partners with Peter, James and John Matthew 4:18 And walking by the Sea of Galilee, He saw two brothers, Simon who was called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen.

Mark 1:16,17 And as He was going along by the Sea of Galilee, He saw Simon and Andrew, the brother of Simon, casting a net in the sea; for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow Me, and I will make you become fishers of men.'

Luke 5:10, And so also James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not fear, from now on you will be catching men.'

**Characteristics:** Responded immediately when called

Matthew 4:19-20 And He said to them, 'Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men.' And they immediately left the nets, and followed Him.

John 1:35-37,40 Again the next day John was standing with two of his disciples, and he looked upon Jesus as He walked, and said, 'Behold, the Lamb of God!' And the two disciples heard him speak and they followed Jesus. One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother.

Prompt to help

At the feeding of the five thousand, Andrew introduced the boy who had the five loaves and two fishes.

John 6:8,9 One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to Him, 'There is a lad here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are these for so many people?'

Brought others to Christ

John 12:20-22 Now there were certain Greeks among those who were going up to worship at the feast; these therefore came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida of Galilee, and began to ask him, saying, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' Philip came and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip came, and they told Jesus.

Foreseeing, careful, cautious R2261:1

Partners: Peter R2261

### Conversion

Was originally a Disciple of John the Baptist. Followed Jesus after John pointed out Jesus.

John 1:35-42 Again the next day John was standing with two of his disciples, and he looked upon Jesus as He walked, and said, 'Behold, the Lamb of God!' And the two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Jesus. And Jesus turned, and beheld them following, and said to them, 'What do you seek?' And they said to Him, 'Rabbi (which translated means Teacher), where are You staying?' He said to them, 'Come, and you will see.' They came therefore and saw where He was staying; and they stayed with Him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He found first his own brother Simon, and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which translated means Christ). He brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him, and said, 'You are Simon the son of John; you shall be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter).

Mat. 4:18 And walking by the Sea of Galilee, He saw two brothers, Simon who was called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen.

Ministry or Journeys: Scythia, Achaia(Eus)

Through many of the Asiatic countries. Fox P. 30

### Unique Facts

1. Originally a Disciple of John the Baptist

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2. Introduced Peter to Jesus.

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3. Introduced others to Jesus. The boy with the loaves and Fishes.

{John 6:6-9} Also the Greeks to Jesus {John 12:20-22}

His Death: Crucified

Fox P.30-At Patrae in Greece, the governor threatened him with death for preaching against the idols which he worshipped; but St. Andrew fearlessly continued to tell the people of Christ. He was therefore sentenced to be crucified on a cross made of two pieces of wood of equal length, the ends of which were fixed in the ground. He was fastened to it, not with nails but with cords, so that his death might be more slow.

An ancient writer tells of the apostle's sublime courage and fearlessness, in the following words:

When Andrew saw the cross prepared, he neither changed countenance nor colour, as the weakness of mortal man is wont to do; neither did his blood shrink; neither did he fail in his speech; his body fainted not; neither was his mind molested; his understanding did not fail him; but out of the abundance of his heart he said, 'O cross, most welcome and oft-looked for; with a willing mind, joyful and desirously, I come to thee, being the scholar of Him who did hang on thee; because I have been always thy lover, and have longed to embrace thee!' St. Andrew hung upon the cross three whole days, suffering dreadful pain, but continuing constantly to tell the people around him of the love of Jesus Christ. The people as they listened to him began to believe his words, and asked the governor to let him be taken down from the cross. Not liking to refuse them he at last ordered the ropes to be cut, but when the last rope was severed, the body of the apostle fell to the ground quite dead.

## **SIMON PETER**

{Shimon Kefa}

### **OTHER NAMES**

Simon

2 Peter 1:1 Simon Peter, a bond-servant and apostle of Jesus Christ, to those who have received a faith of the same kind as ours, by the righteousness of our God and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Cephas

Galatians 2:9 And recognizing the grace that had been given to me, James and Cephas and John, who were reputed to be pillars, gave to me and Barnabas the right hand of fellowship, that we might go to the

Gentiles, and they to the circumcised.

John 1:42 He brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him, and said, 'You are Simon the son of John; you shall be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter).

Bar-Jonah

Matthew 16:17 And Jesus answered and said to him, 'Blessed are you, Simon Barjona, because flesh and blood did not reveal this to you, but My Father who is in heaven.

### **WHERE FROM**

Bethsaida, Galilee

John 1:44 Now Philip was from Bethsaida, of the city of Andrew and Acts 1:11 And they also said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into the sky? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in just the same way as you have watched Him go into heaven.'

Acts 2:7 And they were amazed and marvelled, saying, 'Why, are not all these who are speaking Galileans?'

R1522, R2819

### **KNOWN WRITINGS**

1 Peter, 2 Peter, Gospel of Mark (Peter dictated to Mark) Eus. p. 64

### **RELATIVES**

Wife

Mark 1:30 Now Simon's mother-in-law was lying sick with a fever; and immediately they spoke to Him about her.

1 Corinthians 9:5 Do we not have a right to take along a believing wife, even as the rest of the apostles, and the brothers of the Lord, and Cephas?

Mother-in-Law

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Brother: Andrew

John 1:40 One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother.

Luke 6:14, John 1:40, Matthew 10:2

Father: Jonas, or John

John 1:42 And he brought him to Jesus, and when Jesus beheld him, he said, 'Thou art Simon the son of Jonah

Matthew 16:17 And Jesus answered him and said 'Thou art Simon BarJona (Bar means 'son of' )

Mother: Joanna (Zondervan's }

**Previous Vocation:** Fisherman

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## **CHARACTERISTICS**

Impulsive

Matthew 14:28 And Peter answered Him and said, 'Lord, if it is You, command me to come to You on the water.'

Matthew 17:14 And when they came to the multitude, a man came up to Him, falling on his knees before Him, and saying,

John 21:7 That disciple therefore whom Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' And so when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put his outer garment on (for he was stripped for work), and threw himself into the sea.

Bold and Impetuous-R2261

John 18:10 Simon Peter therefore having a sword, drew it, and struck the high priest's slave, and cut off his right ear; and the slave's name was Malchus.

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Tender hearted affection

Matthew 26:75 And Peter remembered the word which Jesus had said, 'Before a cock crows, you will deny Me three times.' And he went out and wept bitterly.

John 13:9 Simon Peter said to Him, 'Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head.'

John 21:15 So when they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon, son of John, do you love Me more than these?' He said to Him, 'Yes, Lord; You know that I love You. 'He said to him,' Tend My lambs. '

Presumptuous

Matthew 16:22 And Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him, saying, 'God forbid it, Lord! This shall never happen to You.'

John 13:8 Peter said to Him, 'Never shall You wash my feet!' Jesus answered him, 'If I do not wash you, you have no part with Me.'

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Timid, cowardly

Matthew 14:30 But seeing the wind, he became afraid, and beginning to sink, he cried out, saying, 'Lord, save me!'

Matthew 26:69-72 Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard, and a certain servant-girl came to him and said, 'You too were with Jesus the Galilean.' But he denied it before them all, saying, 'I do not know what you are talking about.' And when he had gone out to the gateway, another servant-girl saw him and said to those who were there, 'This man was with Jesus of Nazareth.' And again he denied it with an oath, 'I do not know the man.'

Self sacrificing

Mark 1:18 And they immediately left the nets and followed Him.

Gifted with Spiritual insight

John 6:68 Simon Peter answered Him, 'Lord, to whom shall we go? You have words of eternal life.

Conversion

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## Ministry-Journeys

### Samaria

Acts 8:14 Now when the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent them Peter and John, Acts 8:15 who came down and prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Spirit.

### 2 Keys

Matthew 16:19 'I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatever you shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.'

## Persecutions-Experiences

### Imprisoned

Acts 5:18 And they laid hands on the apostles, and put them in a public jail. Acts 5:19 But an angel of the Lord during the night opened the gates of the prison, and taking them out he said,

### Prison by Herod

Acts 12:4 And when he had seized him, he put him in prison, delivering him to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending after the Passover to bring him out before the people.

Acts 12:5 So Peter was kept in the prison, but prayer for him was being made fervently by the church to God.

## Other Unique Facts

### The Apostle to the Jews

Galatians 2:7 But on the contrary, seeing that I had been entrusted with the gospel to the uncircumcised, just as Peter had been to the circumcised

### Given 2 keys

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### Pentecost

Acts 2:5-8 Now there were Jews living in Jerusalem, devout men, from every nation under heaven. And when this sound occurred, the multitude came together, and were bewildered, because they were each one hearing them speak in his own language. And they were amazed and marvelled, saying, 'Why, are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we each hear them in our own language to which we were born?

Acts 10:25-28 And when it came about that Peter entered, Cornelius met him, and fell at his feet

and worshipped him. But Peter raised him up, saying, 'Stand up; I too am just a man.' And as he talked with him, he entered, and found many people assembled. And he said to them, 'You yourselves know how unlawful it is for a man who is a Jew to associate with a foreigner or to visit him; and yet God has shown me that I should not call any man unholy or unclean.'

Acts 10:44,45 While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit fell upon all those who were listening to the message. And all the circumcised believers who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out upon the Gentiles also.

Made two great confessions of faith

1. Jesus is the Son of God

Matthew 16:16 And Simon Peter answered and said, 'Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.'

2. Jesus is the Son of the Living God

John 6:69 'And we have believed and have come to know that You are the Holy One of God.'

Denied Jesus three times

Mark 14:67-71

Age At and Manner of Death

Crucified upside down

John 21:18 'Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were younger, you used to gird yourself, and walk wherever you wished; but when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will gird you, and bring you where you do not wish to go.'

John 21:19 Now this He said, signifying by what kind of death he would glorify God. And when

He had spoken this, He said to him, 'Follow Me!'

**Martyr**

Eus. p. 80. 'And that both (Paul and Peter) suffered martyrdom about the same time...'

## **James (Elder)**

**Other Names:** Boanerges

Mark 3:17, And James, the son of Zebedee, and John the brother of James (to them He gave the name Boanerges, which means, 'Sons of Thunder');

**Where From:** Galilee

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### **RELATIVES**

Brother John— Mark 1:19 And going on a little farther, He saw James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, who were also in the boat mending the nets.

Matthew 4:21 And going on from there He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and He called them.

Mother-Salome

Matthew 20:20 Then the mother of the sons of Zebedee came to Him with her sons, bowing down, and making a request of Him.

Matthew 27:56 Among whom was Mary Magdalene, along with Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee.

John 19:25 Therefore the soldiers did these things. But there were standing by the cross of Jesus His mother, and His mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleopas, and Mary Magdalene.

Mark 16:1

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## Characteristics

Son of Thunder

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Older of two brothers

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Zealous, faithful R3003

Partners: John Matthew 10:2 Now the names of the twelve apostles are these: The first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; and James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother;

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## Conversion:

Jesus called him while mending his nets

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## Ministry-Journeys

Preached in Jerusalem & Judea

Acts 1:8 But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of

the earth.

### Persecutions/Experiences:

Beheaded by Herod

Acts 12:1,2 Now about that time Herod the king laid hands on some who belonged to the church, in order to mistreat them. And he had James the brother of John put to death with a sword.

### Other unique facts:

Willingness to suffer

Matthew 20:22 But Jesus answered and said, 'You do not know what you are asking for. Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to drink?' They said to Him, 'We are able.'

### Manner of death:

Beheaded by Herod at age 44

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## **John**

### **OTHER NAMES**

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The Revelator

Jesus' beloved

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### **KNOWN WRITINGS**

Gospel of John 1,2 &3 John

Revelation

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## CHARACTERISTICS

### Disciple whom Jesus loved

John 13:23 There was reclining on Jesus' breast one of His disciples, whom Jesus loved.

John 21:20 Peter, turning around, saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following them; the one who also had leaned back on His breast at the supper, and said, 'Lord, who is the one who betrays You?'

### Bold and courageous

Acts 4:19 But Peter and John answered and said to them, 'Whether it is right in the sight of God to give heed to you rather than to God, you be the judge;

### Full of energy

Mark 3:17 And James, the son of Zebedee, and John the brother of James (to them He gave the name Boanerges, which means, 'Sons of Thunder')

### Intolerant

Mark 9:38 John said to Him, 'Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in Your name, and we tried to hinder him because he was not following us.'

## Vindictive

Luke 9:54 And when His disciples James and John saw this, they said, 'Lord, do You want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?'

## Ambitious

Mark 10:35-37 And James and John, the two sons of Zebedee, came up to Him, saying to Him, 'Teacher, we want You to do for us whatever we ask of You.' And He said to them, 'What do you want Me to do for you?' And they said to Him, 'Grant that we may sit in Your glory, one on Your right, and one on Your left.'

John 13:23 There was reclining on Jesus' breast one of His disciples, whom Jesus loved.

1 John 2:9,10 The one who says he is in the light and yet hates his brother is in the darkness until now. The one who loves his brother abides in the light and there is no cause for stumbling in him.

1 John 3:14 We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brethren. He who does not love abides in death.

1 John 4:7,8 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. The one who does not love does not know God, for God is love.

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## Teachable

John 1:36 and he looked upon Jesus as He walked, and said, 'Behold, the Lamb of God!'

Modest R2571

Youngest Apostle R2261

## Partners

James R2261

Acts 4:13 Now as they observed the confidence of Peter and John, and understood that they were uneducated and untrained men, they were marvelling, and began to recognize them as having been with Jesus.

Acts 8:14 Now when the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent them Peter and John,

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### Ministry/Journeys

Jerusalem

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Samaria

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Asia Minor

Eus. P. 105 But the church in Ephesus also, which had been founded by Paul and where John continued to abide until the times of Trajan...For after the tyrant was dead, coming from the isle of Patmos to Ephesus, he also went when called to neighbouring regions of the gentiles.

### Persecutions/Experiences

Imprisoned

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Cast into boiling oil

Fox P. 35 Being at Ephesus, he was ordered by Domitian to be sent bound for Rome where he was to be condemned to be cast into a caldron of boiling oil.

## Exiled to Patmos

Revelation 1:9 I, John, your brother and fellow partaker in the tribulation and kingdom and perseverance which are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos, because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus.

Fox P. 35 For he was afterward banished by the emperor to the island of Patmos.

## Unique Facts

Intrusted with the care of Mary, Jesus' mother

John 19:26 When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing nearby, He said to His mother, 'Woman, behold, your son!'

Preached on Love (refers to love at least 25 times in his epistles)

John 3:16 'For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.

1Jo 3:16 We know love by this, that He laid down His life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.

Disciple whom Jesus loved

John 13:23 There was reclining on Jesus' breast one of His disciples, whom Jesus loved.

John 20:2 And so she ran and came to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken away the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid Him.'

John 21:7,20

Saw transfiguration

Matthew 17:1,2 And six days later Jesus took with Him Peter and James and John his brother, and brought them up to a high mountain by themselves. And He was transfigured before them; and His face shone like the sun, and His garments became as white as light.

Jesus reprimanded him

Mark 9:38,39 John said to Him, 'Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in Your name, and we tried to hinder him because he was not following us.' But Jesus said, 'Do not hinder him, for there is no one who shall perform a miracle in My name, and be able soon afterward to speak evil of Me.

Luke 9:49,50 And John answered and said, 'Master, we saw someone casting out demons in Your name; and we tried to hinder him because he does not follow along with us.' But Jesus said to him, 'Do not hinder him; for he who is not against you is for you.'

The only apostle not to suffer a violent death

### Manner of death

Died of a natural death at about the age of 100

Fox p.35 He lived to be a very old man and died a natural death at Ephesus-some writers say in the one- hundredth year of his age.

## **James (Less)**

### **OTHER NAMES**

James the Just

Eus. p. 49 This James, therefore, whom the ancients, on account of his excellence of virtue, was surnamed the Just.

James, the brother of Jesus

Galatians 1:19 But I did not see any other of the apostles except James, the Lord's brother.

Eus. p. 49

Jacob Zondervan translation

### **WHERE FROM**

Galilee

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R1522; 2819

### **KNOWN WRITINGS**

James-Written 35 to 52 A.D.

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### **RELATIVES**

Father-Alphaeus

Luke 6:15 and Matthew and Thomas; James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon who was called the Zealot

Matthew 10:3 Mark 3:18 Acts 1:13

Mother-Mary (Sister of Mary, Jesus' mother)

Luke 24:10 Now they were Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James; also the other women with them were telling these things to the apostles.

Mark 15:40 And there were also some women looking on from a distance, among whom were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the Less and Joses, and Salome.

Matthew 27:56 Mark 16:1

Brother Jude Jude 1:1 Jude, a bond-servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, to those who are the called, beloved in God the Father, and kept for Jesus Christ:

Brother-Matthew (It is thought by some, that because both their fathers had the same name, that they were brothers, but in R 3003. he is identified as the son of Alphaeus Cleopas, making him the brother of Jude, not Matthew )

Mark 2:14 And as He passed by, He saw Levi the son of Alphaeus sitting in the tax office, and He said to him, 'Follow Me!' And he rose and followed Him.

He was the brother or cousin of our Lord

Galatians 1:19 But I did not see any other of the apostles except James, the Lord's brother.

R3003; R2140

Wife?

1 Corinthians 9:5 Do we not have a right to take along a believing wife, even as the rest of the apostles, and the brothers of the Lord, and Cephas?

### Characteristics

Level Headed-As he presided over decisions about Gentiles

Acts 15:13-29

Held in high regard in the Church

Acts 21:18 And now the following day Paul went in with us to James, and all the elders were present.

Acts 12:17 But motioning to them with his hand to be silent, he described to them how the Lord had led him out of the prison. And he said, 'Report these things to James and the brethren.' And he departed and went to another place.

Spent much time in prayer

Eus. p. 76 He was often found upon his bended knees, and interceding for the forgiveness of the people; so that his knees became as hard as a camel's, in consequence of his habitual supplication and kneeling before God.

Advocate of works

R2261

Partners Jude R2261

## Ministry

He was the first Presiding Elder of Jerusalem

Acts 15:13 And after they had stopped speaking, James answered, saying, 'Brethren, listen to me.

Galatians 2:9 And recognizing the grace that had been given to me, James and Cephas and John, who were reputed to be pillars, gave to me and Barnabas the right hand of fellowship, that we might go to the

Gentiles, and they to the circumcised.

Acts 21:17,18 And when we had come to Jerusalem, the brethren received us gladly. And now the following day Paul went in with us to James, and all the elders were present.

## Persecutions/Experiences

He supported Paul's position about the Gentiles

Acts 15

The Lord appeared to him after His resurrection

1 Corinthians 15:7 Then He appeared to James, then to all the apostles.

## Manner of death

Pushed off temple, then stoned and clubbed to death

Eus. p. 76,77 There arose among the Jews, Scribes and Pharisees, saying that there was a danger that the people would now accept Jesus as the Messiah. They came therefore together and said to James, 'We entreat thee, restrain the people, who are led astray after Jesus, as if he were the Christ... For we and all the people bear thee testimony that thou art just, and thou respect not persons. Persuade therefore, not the people not to be led astray by Jesus, for we and all the people have great confidence in thee. Stand therefore upon a wing of the temple, that thou mayst be conspicuous on high, and thy words may be easily heard by all...' The aforesaid Scribes, and Pharisees, therefore placed James on the temple wing and cried out to him, 'O thou just man, whom we ought all believe, since the people are led astray after Jesus that was crucified, declare to us what is the door to Jesus that was crucified.' And he answered with a loud voice, 'Why do you ask me respecting Jesus the Son of Man? He is now sitting in the heavens at the right hand of great power and is about to come on the clouds of heaven.' The Pharisees said to one another, 'we have done badly in affording such a testimony to Jesus, but let us go up and cast him down, that they may dread to believe him.' Going up therefore they cast down the just man, saying to one another, 'let us stone James the Just.' And they began to stone him, as he did not die immediately when cast down; but turning round, he knelt down saying, 'I entreat thee, O Lord God and Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.' And One of them, a fuller, beat the brains of Justus with a club that he used to beat out clothes. Thus he suffered martyrdom. Fox p.29

He died at the age of 62

Rev p. 82

## **Jude**

### **OTHER NAMES**

Joses

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

Thaddaeus

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

R3044:2

Lebbaeus (man of heart or breast)

Mat. 10:3 Philip, and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the publican; James the son of Alphaeus, and Lebbaeus, whose surname was Thaddaeus

Judas

John 14:22 Judas (not Iscariot) said to Him, 'Lord, what then has happened that You are going to disclose Yourself to us, and not to the world?'

### **WHERE FROM**

Galilee

Acts 1:11 And they also said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into the sky? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in just the same way as you have watched Him go into heaven.'

### **KNOWN WRITINGS**

Jude?

Jerome said he wrote in A.D. 70

### **RELATIVES**

Father-Alphaeus

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.

R3003:2

Mother-Mary (sister of Mary, the Lord's Mother)

Luke 24:10 Now they were Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James; also the other women with them were telling these things to the apostles.

Mark 15:40 And there were also some women looking on from a distance, among whom were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the Less and Joses, and Salome.

Matthew 27:56 Mark 16:1

Brother James Jude 1:1 Jude, a bond-servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, to those who are the called, beloved in God the Father, and kept for Jesus Christ:

Brother-Matthew ? (see comment on brother of James)

Mark 2:14 And as He passed by, He saw Levi the son of Alphaeus sitting in the tax office, and He said to him, 'Follow Me!' And he rose and followed Him.

### Characteristics

Man of Doctrine R2261

Faithful Servant R2261

Earnestness, sincerity with the quality of fearlessness

Rev p. 106

### Partners

James

R2261

### Ministry/Experiences

Assyria and Persia

TCR-Tradition says he preached in Assyria and Persia.

Fox p. 34 Being sent to Persia, he wrought many miracles and made many converts.

### Manner of Death

Unsure, He was either crucified in Persia or shot with arrows at Ararat.

Crucified?

Fox p. 34 Being sent to Persia, he wrought many miracles and made many converts, which stirred up resentment of people in power, he was crucified in the year 72 after Christ.

Shot with arrows?

Who. Shot with arrows in Mesopotamia.

Men. p. 124 He was killed with arrows at Ararat.

## **Matthew**

### **OTHER NAMES**

Levi Luke 5:27 And after that He went out, and noticed a tax-gatherer named Levi, sitting in the tax office, and He said to him, 'Follow Me.'

Mark 2:14 And as He passed by, He saw Levi the son of Alphaeus sitting in the tax office, and He said to him, 'Follow Me!' And he rose and followed Him.

### **WHERE FROM**

Capernaum, Galilee

Mark 2:1,14 And when He had come back to Capernaum several days afterward, it was heard that He was at home. And as He passed by, He saw Levi the son of Alphaeus sitting in the tax office, and He said to him, 'Follow Me!' And he rose and followed Him.

Known Writings: Matthew

### **RELATIVES**

Father-Alphaeus

Mark 2:14 And as He passed by, He saw Levi the son of Alphaeus sitting in the tax office, and He said to him, 'Follow Me!' And he rose and followed Him.

### **Previous Vocations**

Tax Collector

Matthew 10:3 Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-gatherer; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddeus;

Luke 5:27 And after that He went out, and noticed a tax-gatherer named Levi, sitting in the tax office, and He said to him, 'Follow Me.'

### **Characteristics**

A man of influence

Luke 5:29 And Levi gave a big reception for Him in his house; and there was a great crowd of tax-gatherers and other people who were reclining at the table with them.

Tax collectors were considered along with the heathens and the harlots

Matthew 21:31 'Which of the two did the will of his father?' They said, 'The latter.' Jesus said to them, 'Truly I say to you that the tax-gatherers and harlots will get into the kingdom of God before you.'

Matthew 9:10 And it happened that as He was reclining at the table in the house, behold many

tax-gatherers and sinners came and were dining with Jesus and His disciples.

Quick witted

R2261

### Conversion

While collecting taxes

Luke 5:27,28 And after that He went out, and noticed a tax-gatherer named Levi, sitting in the tax office, and He said to him, 'Follow Me.' And he left everything behind, and rose and began to follow Him.

Matthew 9:9; R2591

### Ministry/Experiences

Judea, Ethiopia, Parthia

Fox p. 28 After the ascension of his Master, he continued preaching the gospel in Judea for nine years. When about to leave Judea, in order to go and preach among the Gentiles, he wrote his gospel...He

then went into Ethiopia, ordained preachers, settled churches and made converts. He afterward travelled to Parthia.

### Unique Facts

Made a feast for Jesus

Luke 5:29 And Levi gave a big reception for Him in his house; and there was a great crowd of tax-gatherers and other people who were reclining at the table with them.

### Manner of Death

Slain with a sword

Fox p. 28 He afterwards travelled to Parthia, where he met his death, being slain with the sword, about the year 60.

## **Nathanael**

### **OTHER NAMES**

Bartholemew Matthew 10:3 Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-gatherer; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus;

R2577

**Where From:** Cana, Galilee

John 21:2 There were together Simon Peter, and Thomas called Didymus, and Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, and the sons of Zebedee, and two others of His disciples.

### **RELATIVES**

Father-Tolmai

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Rev p. 88 Tolmai-son of venture

### **Characteristics**

No guile, An Israelite indeed

John 1:47 Jesus saw Nathanael coming to Him, and said of him, 'Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!'

R2071:3; 3483:7-10

Intelligent

John 1:45 Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found Him of whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.'

Quick witted

R2261

Partners: Philip R2261

### **Conversion**

He was witnessed to by Philip John 1:45-51 Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found Him of whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.' And Nathanael said to him, 'Can any good thing come out of Nazareth?' Philip said to him, 'Come and see.' Jesus saw Nathanael coming to Him, and said of him, 'Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!'

John 1:48 Nathanael said to Him, 'How do You know me?' Jesus answered and said to him,

‘Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you.’ Nathanael answered Him, ‘Rabbi, You are the Son of God; You are the King of Israel.’ Jesus answered and said to him, ‘Because I said to you that I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe? You shall see greater things than these.’ And He said to him, ‘Truly, truly, I say to you, you shall see the heavens opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.’

R4117:4; R3483; R5809; R2570; R3538

### Ministry/Journeys

Armenia TCR-Outline of Apostles

India Men p. 107

### Unique Facts

Jesus said he would see heaven open

John 1:50,51 Jesus answered and said to him, ‘Because I said to you that I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe? You shall see greater things than these.’ And He said to him, ‘Truly, truly, I say to you, you shall see the heavens opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.’

### Manner of Death

Flayed to death

TCR-Outline of Apostles

Fox p. 34 The idolaters finally slew him, some say with the sword, others that he was beaten to death with clubs.

## Philip

**Where From:** Bethsaida

John 1:44 Now Philip was from Bethsaida, of the city of Andrew and Peter.

### Characteristics

Quick to tell others

John 1:45 Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found Him of whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.'

John 12:21 these therefore came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida of Galilee, and began to ask him, saying, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.'

Practical business man R.3503:3

### Partners

Nathanael R2261

### Conversion

Jesus called him saying 'follow me'

John 1:43 The next day He purposed to go forth into Galilee, and He found Philip. And Jesus said to him, 'Follow Me.'

### Ministry/Journeys

Asia, Phrygia Fox p. 27 He was sent important missions to heathen countries, being deputed to preach in parts of Asia, where he labored very diligently in his apostleship. He then travelled into Phrygia and arrived at

Hierapolis.

### Unique Facts

Tested by Christ

John 6:5,6 Jesus therefore lifting up His eyes, and seeing that a great multitude was coming to Him, said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread, that these may eat?' And this He was saying to test him; for He Himself knew what He was intending to do.

Wanted to see the Father

John 14:8,9 Philip said to Him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been so long with you, and yet you have not come to know Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; how do you say, 'Show us the Father'?

## Manner of Death

### Crucified

Fox p. 28 He travelled to Phygria and arriving at Hierapolis, found the inhabitants so sunk in idolatry as to worship a great serpent. St. Philip, however, converted many of them to Christianity and even accomplished the destruction of the serpent. This so enraged the rulers and especially the priests, who gained much money by the superstitions of the people, that they committed him to prison. He was then cruelly scourged and afterward crucified. Philip's martyrdom took place eight years after that of St. James, in the year 52 after Christ.

## **Simon Zelotes**

### **OTHER NAMES**

The Canaanite

Matthew 10:4 Simon the Canaanite, and Judas Iscariot, who also betrayed him.

Luke 6:15 And Matthew and Thomas; James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon who was called Zealotes.

### **WHERE FROM**

Galilee

Acts 1:11 and they also said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into the sky? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in just the same way as you have watched Him go into heaven.'

### **Characteristics**

Enthusiastic, zealous, independent R2261

Cheerful optimism Rev p. 97

### **Partners**

Judas Iscariot R2261

### **Ministry/Journey**

Mauritania, Africa, Britain

Fox. P. 35, He preached with great success in Mauritania and parts of Africa and even in Britain.

### **Manner of Death:**

Crucifixion

Fox p. 35 He preached...in Britain, where, though he made many converts, he was crucified by the pagans in the year 74.

## **Thomas**

### **OTHER NAMES**

Didymus (the twins)

John 20:24 But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came.

John 21:2 There were together Simon Peter, and Thomas called Didymus, and Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, and the sons of Zebedee, and two others of His disciples.

John 11:16 Then said Thomas, which is called Didymus, unto his fellow disciples, Let us also go, that we may die with him.

### **WHERE FROM**

Galilee

Acts 2:7 And they were amazed and marvelled, saying, 'Why, are not all these who are speaking Galileans?'

### **RELATIVES**

Twin sister-Lydia

Tra.

### **Previous Vocation**

Fisherman Tra.

Possibly indicated by John 21:2, There were together Simon Peter, and Thomas called Didymus, and Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, and the sons of Zebedee, and two others of His disciples.

### **Characteristics**

Courageous and devoted to Christ

John 11:16 Thomas therefore, who is called Didymus, said to his fellow disciples, 'Let us also go, that we may die with Him.'

Slow to apprehend Christ's words

John 14:5 Thomas said to Him, 'Lord, we do not know where Thou art going, how do we know the way?'

Doubting

John 20:25 The other disciples therefore were saying to him, 'We have seen the Lord!' But he said to them, 'Unless I shall see in His hands the imprint of the nails, and put my finger into the place of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe.'

Intellectual, skeptical R2261

### Partners

Matthew R2261

### Ministry/Journeys

Parthia, Persia, India, Ceylon R5012

TCR-Outline of the Apostles

Eus p. 80

### Unique Facts

He was ready to die with Christ

John 11:16 Thomas therefore, who is called Didymus, said to his fellow disciples, 'Let us also go, that we may die with Him.'

Confessed Jesus as Lord

John 20:28,29 Thomas answered and said to Him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Because you have seen Me, have you believed? Blessed are they who did not see, and yet believed.'

### Manner of Death

With a Spear

Fox p. 34 He preached in Parthia and India. After having converted many to Christ he aroused the anger of the pagan priests, and was martyred by being thrust through with a spear.

## **Paul**

### **OTHER NAMES**

Saul

Acts 13:9 But Saul, who was also known as Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, fixed his gaze upon him.

### **WHERE FROM**

Tarsus of Cilicia

Acts 9:11 And the Lord said to him, 'Arise and go to the street called Straight, and inquire at the house of Judas for a man from Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying,

Acts 22:3 'I am a Jew, born in Tarsus of Cilicia, but brought up in this city, educated under Gamaliel, strictly according to the law of our fathers, being zealous for God, just as you all are today.

### **KNOWN WRITINGS**

Romans, 1 & 2 Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, 1 & 2Th 1 & 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon, Hebrews

### **RELATIVES**

Sister and nephew

Acts 23:16 But the son of Paul's sister heard of their ambush, and he came and entered the barracks and told Paul.

Kinsmen-Andronicus and Junias

Ro 16:7 Greet Andronicus and Junias, my kinsmen, and my fellow prisoners, who are outstanding among the apostles, who also were in Christ before me.

Spiritual mother and brother

Ro 16:13 Greet Rufus, a choice man in the Lord, also his mother and mine.

### **Previous Vocations**

Pharisee

Php 3:5 Circumcised the eighth day, of the nation of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the Law, a Pharisee;

Acts 23:6 But perceiving that one part were Sadducees and the other Pharisees, Paul began crying out in the Council, 'Brethren, I am a Pharisee, a son of Pharisees; I am on trial for the hope and resurrection of the dead!'

## Tentmaker

Acts 18:3 and because he was of the same trade, he stayed with them and they were working; for by trade they were tentmakers.

## Characteristics

### Courageous

Acts 16:36,17 And the jailer reported these words to Paul, saying, 'The chief magistrates have sent to release you. Now therefore, come out and go in peace.' But Paul said to them, 'They have beaten us in public without trial, men who are Romans, and have thrown us into

prison; and now are they sending us away secretly? No indeed! But let them come themselves and bring us out.'

Acts 22:25 And when they stretched him out with thongs, Paul said to the centurion who was standing by, 'Is it lawful for you to scourge a man who is a Roman and uncondemned?'

### Joyful

Acts 16:25 But about midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns of praise to God, and the prisoners were listening to them.

Php 4:4 Rejoice in the Lord always: again I will say, rejoice!

### Steadfastness

Acts 20:24 'But I do not consider my life of any account as dear to myself, in order that I may finish my course, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify solemnly of the gospel of the grace of God.

### Earnestness

Acts 20:31 'Therefore be on the alert, remembering that night and day for a period of three years I did not cease to admonish each one with tears.

Romans 9:3 For I could wish that I myself were accursed, separated from Christ for the sake of my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh,

Philippians 3:18 For many walk, of whom I often told you, and now tell you even weeping, that they are enemies of the cross of Christ,

### Industrious

Acts 20:34 'You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my own needs and to the men who were with me.

1 Thessalonians 2:9 For you recall, brethren, our labor and hardship, how working night and day so as not to be a burden to any of you, we proclaimed to you the gospel of God.

## Entire Consecration

Philippians 3:7-11 But whatever things were gain to me, those things I have counted as loss for the sake of Christ. More than that, I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them but rubbish in order that I may gain Christ, and may be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own derived from the Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which comes from God on the basis of faith, that I may know Him, and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; in order that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.

Philippians 1:21 For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

## Hot headed

Acts 15:38,39 But Paul kept insisting that they should not take him along who had deserted them in Pamphylia and had not gone with them to the work. And there arose such a sharp disagreement that they separated from one another, and Barnabas took Mark with him and sailed away to Cyprus.

## Tact

1 Corinthians 9:19-22 For though I am free from all men, I have made myself a slave to all, that I might win the more. And to the Jews I became as a Jew, that I might win Jews; to those who are under the Law, as under the Law, though not being myself under the Law, that I might win those who are under the Law; to those who are without law, as without law, though not being without the law of God but under the law of Christ, that I might win those who are without law. To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak; I have become all things to all men, that I may by all means save some.

## Self sacrificing

2 Corinthians 11:24-29 Five times I received from the Jews thirty-nine lashes. Three times I was beaten with rods, once I was stoned, three times I was shipwrecked, a night and a day I have spent in the deep.

I have been on frequent journeys, in dangers from rivers, dangers from robbers, dangers from my countrymen, dangers from the Gentiles, dangers in the city, dangers in the wilderness, dangers on the sea, dangers among false brethren; I have been in labor and hardship, through many sleepless nights, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure. Apart from such external things, there is the daily pressure upon me of concern for all the churches. Who is weak without my being weak? Who is led into sin without my intense concern?

## Faithfulness

2 Timothy 4:7,8 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith; in the future there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will

award to me on that day; and not only to me, but also to all who have loved His appearing.

## Endurance

2 Timothy 2:10 For this reason I endure all things for the sake of those who are chosen, that they also may obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus and with it eternal glory.

## Patient

Galatians 2:1 Then after an interval of fourteen years I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, taking Titus along also.

## Loving and kind

1 Corinthians 16:24 My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

2 Corinthians 2:4 For out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote to you with many tears; not that you should be made sorrowful, but that you might know the love which I have especially for you.

## Humble

1 Corinthians 15:9 For I am the least of the apostles, who am not fit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God.

1 Corinthians 1:26-29 For consider your calling, brethren, that there were not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble; but God has chosen the foolish things of the world to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to shame the things which are strong, and the base things of the world and the despised, God has chosen, the things that are not, that He might nullify the things that are, that no man should boast before God.

## Good orator

Acts 23

## Contented

Philippians 4:11 Not that I speak from want; for I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I am.

## Trusted in God

Philippians 4:19 And my God shall supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

## Partners

### Barnabas

Acts 13:2 And while they were ministering to the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, 'Set apart for Me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.'

Acts 16:1,3 And he came also to Derbe and to Lystra. And behold, a certain disciple was there, named Timothy, the son of a Jewish woman who was a believer, but his father was a Greek. Paul wanted this man to go with him; and he took him and circumcised him because of the

Jews who were in those parts, for they all knew that his father was a Greek.

John Mark

Acts 15:37,38 And Barnabas was desirous of taking John, called Mark, along with them also. But Paul kept insisting that they should not take him along who had deserted them in Pamphylia and had not gone with them to the work.

Silas

Acts 15:40 But Paul chose Silas and departed, being committed by the brethren to the grace of the Lord.

Titus

2 Corinthians 8:23 As for Titus, he is my partner and fellow worker among you; as for our brethren, they are messengers of the churches, a glory to Christ.

Priscilla and Aquila

Acts 18:18 And Paul, having remained many days longer, took leave of the brethren and put out to sea for Syria, and with him were Priscilla and Aquila. In Cenchrea he had his hair cut, for he was keeping a vow.

## Conversion

On the road to Damascus to persecute the brethren, Jesus appeared to Paul

Acts 9:1-6 Now Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest, and asked for letters from him to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, both men and women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. And it came about that as he journeyed, he was approaching Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him; and he fell to the ground, and heard a voice saying to him, 'Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?' And he said, 'Who art Thou, Lord?' And He said, 'I am Jesus whom you are persecuting, but rise, and enter the city, and it shall be told you what you must do. '

## Ministry/Journeys

1st Missionary Journey-Antioch, Seleucia, Salamis, Paphos, Perga, Antioch, Iconium, Lystra, Derbe, Attalia Acts 13-15 2nd Missionary Journey-Antioch, Lystra, Troas, Philippi, Thessalonica,

Berea, Athens, Corinth, Ephesus, Jerusalem, Antioch Acts 15-18 3rd Missionary Journey-Antioch, Syria, Galatia, Macedonia, Corinth,

Troas, Militus, Rhodes, Patura, Tyre, Ceasaria, Jerusalem Acts 18-21

Voyage to Rome Acts 27-28

Spain?

Fox p. 34 Here (Rome) he continued a prisoner at large for two years; and at the length being released, he visited the churches of Greece and Rome and preached in Gaul and Spain.

### Persecutions, Experiences

Summary of Paul's persecutions

2 Corinthians 11:23-27 Are they servants of Christ? (I speak as if insane) I more so; in far more labors, in far more imprisonments, beaten times without number, often in danger of death. Five times I received from the Jews thirty-nine lashes. Three times I was beaten with rods, once I was stoned, three times I was shipwrecked, a night and a day I have spent in the deep. I have been on frequent journeys, in dangers from rivers, dangers from robbers, dangers from my countrymen, dangers from the Gentiles, dangers in the city, dangers in the wilderness, dangers on the sea, dangers among false brethren; I have been in labor and hardship, through many sleepless nights, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure.

R4369; R4364

### Unique Facts

Apostle to the Gentiles

Ro 11:13 But I am speaking to you who are Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle of Gentiles, I magnify my ministry,

A Pharisee taught by Gamaliel

Acts 22:3 'I am a Jew, born in Tarsus of Cilicia, but brought up in this city, educated under Gamaliel, strictly according to the law of our fathers, being zealous for God, just as you all are today.

Roman Citizen

Acts 16:37 But Paul said to them, 'They have beaten us in public without trial, men who are Romans, and have thrown us into prison; and now are they sending us away secretly? No indeed! But let them come themselves and bring us out.'

Acts 22:25 And when they stretched him out with thongs, Paul said to the centurion who was standing by, 'Is it lawful for you to scourge a man who is a Roman and uncondemned?'

Acts 21:39 But Paul said, 'I am a Jew of Tarsus in Cilicia, a citizen of no insignificant city; and I beg you, allow me to speak to the people.'

Gave consent to the stoning of Steven

Acts 7:58 And when they had driven him out of the city, they began stoning him, and the

witnesses laid aside their robes at the feet of a young man named Saul.

Saw Jesus after His resurrection

1 Corinthians 15:8 and last of all, as it were to one untimely born, He appeared to me also.

Acts 9:3,5 And it came about that as he journeyed, he was approaching Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him; And he said, 'Who art Thou, Lord?' And He said, 'I am Jesus whom you are persecuting,

Had a thorn in the flesh

2 Corinthians 12:7 And because of the surpassing greatness of the revelations, for this reason, to keep me from exalting myself, there was given me a thorn in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to buffet me—

to keep me from exalting myself!

Poor eyesight Galatians 6:11 See with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand.

**Manner of death**

Beheaded at age 67 by Nero

Eus p. 80 Thus Nero publicly announced himself as the chief enemy of God, was led on in his fury to slaughter the Apostles. Paul is therefore said to have been beheaded in Rome.

Fox p. 34 Returning to Rome he was taken, imprisoned with St. Peter, and then martyred by the order of Nero, by being beheaded with the sword.

## **Judas**

### **OTHER NAMES**

Iscariot

Matthew 10:4 Simon the Zealot, (Canaanite, KJ) and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed Him.

Son of perdition

John 17:12 'While I was with them, I was keeping them in Thy name which Thou hast given Me; and I guarded them, and not one of them perished but the son of perdition, that the Scripture might be fulfilled.

Devil

John 6:70 Jesus answered them, 'Did I Myself not choose you, the twelve, and yet one of you is a devil?'

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### **RELATIVES**

Father-Simon Iscariot Tra.

Characteristics

Greedy

Matthew 26:14,15 Then one of the twelve, named Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests, and said, 'What are you willing to give me to deliver Him up to you?' And they weighed out to him thirty pieces of silver.

Hypocrisy

John 12:5,6 'Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii, and given to poor people?' Now he said this, not because he was concerned about the poor, but because he was a thief, and as he had the money box, he used to pilfer what was put into it.

Treachery

Mark 14:10 And Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went off to the chief priests, in order to betray Him to them.

Dishonest, thief

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Allowed Satan to influence him

Luke 22:3 And Satan entered into Judas who was called Iscariot, belonging to the number of the twelve.

John 6:70 Jesus answered them, 'Did I Myself not choose you, the twelve, and yet one of you is a devil?'

### Partners

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### Persecutions/Experiences

He betrayed innocent blood

Matthew 27:4 saying, 'I have sinned by betraying innocent blood.' But they said, 'What is that to us? See to that yourself!'

Lost his apostleship

Acts 1:25 to occupy this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.

Jesus pointed him out as the betrayer

Matthew 26:25 And Judas, who was betraying Him, answered and said, 'Surely it is not I, Rabbi?' He said to him, 'You have said it yourself.'

John 13:27 And after the morsel, Satan then entered into him. Jesus therefore said to him, 'What you do, do quickly.'

### Unique Points

Sold Jesus for 30 pieces of silver

Matthew 26:14-16 Then one of the twelve, named Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests, and said, 'What are you willing to give me to deliver Him up to you?' And they weighed out to him thirty pieces of silver. And from then on he began looking for a good opportunity to betray Him.

Betrayed Jesus with a kiss

Mark 14:43-45 And immediately while He was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, came up, accompanied by a multitude with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders. Now he who was betraying Him had given them a signal, saying, 'Whomever I shall kiss, He is the one; seize Him, and lead Him away under guard.' And after coming, he immediately went to Him, saying, 'Rabbi!' and kissed Him.

Treasurer

John 13:29 For some were supposing, because Judas had the money box, that Jesus was saying to

him, 'Buy the things we have need of for the feast'; or else, that he should give something to the poor.

### Manner of Death

He committed suicide by hanging himself

Matthew 27:5 And he threw the pieces of silver into the sanctuary and departed; and he went away and hanged himself.

Acts 1:16-19 'Brethren, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit foretold by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. 'For he was counted among us, and received his portion in this ministry.' (Now this man acquired a field with the price of his wickedness; and falling headlong, he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out.

And it became known to all who were living in Jerusalem; so that in their own language that field was called Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.)

## Scriptures using the word ‘Apostle’

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 10:2}

And the apostles gathered themselves together unto Jesus, and told him all things, both what they had done, and what they had taught. {Mark 6:30}

And when it was day, he called unto him his disciples: and of them he chose twelve, whom also he named apostles; {Luke 6:13}

And the apostles, when they were returned, told him all that they had done. And he took them, and went aside privately into a desert place belonging to the city called Bethsaida. {Luke 9:10}

Therefore also said the wisdom of God, I will send them prophets and apostles, and some of them they shall slay and persecute: {Luke 11:49}

And the apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our faith. {Luke 17:5}

And when the hour was come, he sat down, and the twelve apostles with him. {Luke 22:14}

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. {Luke 24:10}

Until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen: {Acts 1:2}

And they gave forth their lots; and the lot fell upon Matthias; and he was numbered with the eleven apostles. {Acts 1:26}

Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do? {Acts 2:37}

And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers. {Acts 2:42}

And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles. {Acts 2:43}

And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all. {Acts 4:33}

And laid them down at the apostles' feet: and distribution was made unto every man according as he had need. {Acts 4:35}

And Joses, who by the apostles was surnamed Barnabas, (which is, being interpreted, The son of consolation,) a Levite, and of the country of Cyprus, {Acts 4:36}

Having land, sold it, and brought the money, and laid it at the apostles' feet. {Acts 4:37}

And kept back part of the price, his wife also being privy to it, and brought a certain part, and laid

it, at the apostles' feet. {Acts 5:2}

And by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people; (and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch. {Acts 5:12}

And laid their hands on the apostles, and put them in the common prison. {Acts 5:18}

Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men. {Acts 5:29}

Then stood there up one in the council, a Pharisee, named Gamaliel, a doctor of the law, had in reputation among all the people, and commanded to put the apostles forth a little space; {Acts 5:34}

And to him they agreed: and when they had called the apostles, and beaten them, they commanded that they should not speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. {Acts 5:40}

Whom they set before the apostles: and when they had prayed, they laid their hands on them. {Acts 6:6}

And Saul was consenting unto his death. And at that time there was a great persecution against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judaea and Samaria, except the apostles. {Acts 8:1}

Now when the apostles which were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John: {Acts 8:14}

And when Simon saw that through laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Ghost was given, he offered them money, {Acts 8:18}

But Barnabas took him, and brought him to the apostles, and declared unto them how he had seen the Lord in the way, and that he had spoken to him, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. {Acts 9:27}

And the apostles and brethren that were in Judaea heard that the Gentiles had also received the word of God. {Acts 11:1}

But the multitude of the city was divided: and part held with the Jews, and part with the apostles. {Acts 14:4}

Which when the apostles, Barnabas and Paul, heard of, they rent their clothes, and ran in among the people, crying out, {Acts 14:14}

When therefore Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and disputation with them, they determined that Paul and Barnabas, and certain other of them, should go up to Jerusalem unto the apostles and elders about this question. {Acts 15:2}

And when they were come to Jerusalem, they were received of the church, and of the apostles and elders, and they declared all things that God had done with them. {Acts 15:4}

And the apostles and elders came together for to consider of this matter. {Acts 15:6}

Then pleased it the apostles and elders, with the whole church, to send chosen men of their own company to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; namely, Judas surnamed Barsabas, and Silas, chief men among the brethren: {Acts 15:22}

And they wrote letters by them after this manner; The apostles and elders and brethren send greeting unto the brethren which are of the Gentiles in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia: {Acts 15:23}

And after they had tarried there a space, they were let go in peace from the brethren unto the apostles. {Acts 15:33}

And as they went through the cities, they delivered them the decrees for to keep, that were ordained of the apostles and elders which were at Jerusalem. {Acts 16:4}

Salute Andronicus and Junia, my kinsmen, and my fellowprisoners, who are of note among the apostles, who also were in Christ before me. {Romans 16:7}

For I think that God hath set forth us the apostles last, as it were appointed to death: for we are made a spectacle unto the world, and to angels, and to men. {1 Corinthians 4:9}

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? {1 Corinthians 9:5}

And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues. {1 Corinthians 12:28}

Are all apostles? are all prophets? are all teachers? are all workers of miracles? {1 Corinthians 12:29}

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

For I am the least of the apostles, that am not meet to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. {1 Corinthians 15:9}

For I suppose I was not a whit behind the very chiefest apostles. {2 Corinthians 11:5}

For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. {2 Corinthians 11:13}

I am become a fool in glorying; ye have compelled me: for I ought to have been commended of you: for in nothing am I behind the very chiefest apostles, though I be nothing. {2 Corinthians 12:11}

Neither went I up to Jerusalem to them which were apostles before me; but I went into Arabia, and returned again unto Damascus. {Galatians 1:17}

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

And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the

chief corner stone; {Ephesians 2:20}

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 3:5}

And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; {Ephesians 4:11}

Nor of men sought we glory, neither of you, nor yet of others, when we might have been burdensome, as the apostles of Christ. {1Th 2:6}

That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Saviour: {2 Peter 3:2}

But, beloved, remember ye the words which were spoken before of the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ; {Jude 1:17}

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I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them which are evil: and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars: {Revelation 2:2}

Rejoice over her, thou heaven, and ye holy apostles and prophets; for God hath avenged you on her. {Revelation 18:20}

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