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**Texts:**

**Matthew 10:2-4,**

- 2. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (who is called Peter) and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John;**
- 3. Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus;**
- 4. Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.**

**Mark 3:13-19,**

- 13. Jesus went up on a mountainside and called to him those he wanted, and they came to him.**
- 14. He appointed twelve – designating them apostles – that they might be with him and that he might send them out to preach**
- 15. and to have authority to drive out demons.**
- 16. These are the twelve he appointed: Simon (to whom he gave the name Peter);**
- 17. James son of Zebedee and his brother John (to them he gave the name Boanerges, which means Sons of Thunder);**
- 18. Andrew, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thomas, James son of Alphaeus, Thaddaeus, Simon the Zealot**
- 19. and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.**

**Luke 6:12-16,**

- 12. One of those days Jesus went out to a mountainside to pray, and spent the night praying to God.**
- 13. When morning came, he called his disciples to him and chose twelve of them, whom he also designated apostles.**

- 14. Simon (whom he named Peter), his brother Andrew, James, John, Philip, Bartholomew,**  
**15. Matthew, Thomas, James son of Alphaeus, Simon who was called the Zealot,**  
**16. Judas son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.**

**Acts 1:13,**

**13. When they arrived, they went upstairs to the room where they were staying. Those present were Peter, John, James and Andrew; Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew; James son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James.**

**Commentary:**

I. The difference between *disciple* and *apostle* is a matter of authority.

II. There are 4 apostolic lists in the Bible; viz.,

<b>Matthew</b>	<b>Mark</b>	<b>Luke</b>	<b>Acts</b>
<b>Simon Peter</b>	<b>Peter</b>	<b>Peter</b>	<b>Peter</b>
Andrew	James Boanerges	Andrew	John
James son of Zebedee	John Boanerges	James son of Zebedee	James
John	Andrew	John	Andrew
<b>Philip</b>	<b>Philip</b>	<b>Philip</b>	<b>Philip</b>
Bartholomew	Bartholomew	Bartholomew	Thomas
Thomas	Matthew	Matthew	Bartholomew
Matthew	Thomas	Thomas	Matthew
<b>James son of Alphaeus</b>	<b>James son of Alphaeus</b>	<b>James son of Alphaeus</b>	<b>James son of Alphaeus</b>
Thaddaeus	Thaddaeus	Simon the Zealot	Simon the Zealot
Simon the Cananean	Simon the Cananean	Judas son of James	Judas son of James
Judas Iscariout	Judas Iscariot	Judas Iscariot	

**III. Reconciliations and Miscellaneous Facts:**

A. Thaddaeus was also known as Judas the son or brother of James.

- B. Simon the Cananaean was known as Simon the Zealot.
- C. The three groups of four apostles each may have been working groups with the first one named in each group serving as its leader.
- D. Bartholomew is also called Nathaniel.
- E. The twelve apostles correspond to the twelve tribes of the children of Israel.
- F. Matthew 19:28, Jesus said to them, “I tell you the truth, at the renewal of all things, when the Son of Man sits on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.
- G. Revelation 21:14, The wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.
- H. The appointment mountain was evidently Mt. Hatten on which Jesus delivered the Sermon on the Mount.
- I. The twelve (12) were to preach and cast out demons.
- J. The apostles included two Simons, two Judases, and two Jameses.
- K. Ephesians 2:20, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone.
- L. Jesus prayed all night before making his apostolic appointments. We should follow Jesus’ prayer example.

M. Zealot could refer to zeal for the law or previous membership in a radical political order dedicated to the overthrow of Rome and the return of Jewish independence.

## Anticipation About Messiahship

### Questions

1. Jesus' enemies, the \_\_\_\_\_, were looking for Jesus at the \_\_\_\_\_.
2. People differed in their opinions of Jesus. Some said, "He is a \_\_\_\_\_." Others said, "Nay, he \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_."
3. No man spoke \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_.
4. About the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus went up into the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
5. The \_\_\_\_\_, saying, "How knoweth this \_\_\_\_\_, having never \_\_\_\_\_?" Jesus had attended no \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Jesus said, "My \_\_\_\_\_ is not mine, but his that sent me. If any man will do his \_\_\_\_\_, he will know of the \_\_\_\_\_, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of."
7. Jesus well knew the Jews were set on killing him. The religious leaders lied about their intentions and accused Jesus of having a \_\_\_\_\_.
8. It was, in the opinion of the Jews, right to \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_, but not to \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_.
9. What are some of our inconsistencies? \_\_\_\_\_

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10. Many \_\_\_\_\_ on Jesus saying, “When \_\_\_\_\_ cometh, will he do more \_\_\_\_\_ than these which this man hath done?”

11. The \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ sent \_\_\_\_\_ to arrest Jesus because they heard of how popular Jesus was with the multitudes.

12. On the \_\_\_\_\_ day of the \_\_\_\_\_, Jesus cried aloud, “If any man \_\_\_\_\_, let him \_\_\_\_\_ unto me, and \_\_\_\_\_.”

13. He that \_\_\_\_\_ on me, out of his \_\_\_\_\_ shall flow \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.”

14. What was the **water** of which Jesus spoke? \_\_\_\_\_

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15. The \_\_\_\_\_ who had been sent to arrest \_\_\_\_\_ returned to the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ without Jesus. They asked, “Why have you not \_\_\_\_\_ him?” They answered, “\_\_\_\_\_.”

16. \_\_\_\_\_ answered, “Does our \_\_\_\_\_ any \_\_\_\_\_, before it \_\_\_\_\_

him, and know what he \_\_\_\_\_?” The person was the one  
who had come to \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_.

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