

St. Matthias, Apostle

Acts 1:15-26

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1. What is the context for our passage today?
2. How does Peter connect Judas' betrayal with the Psalms of David? What does this show about the Scripture and the Holy Spirit?
3. Who actually acquired the field for Judas? What does Matthew tell us about this field and its later use?
4. Peter again uses the Psalms to show the necessity and importance of replacing Judas as an Apostle. What qualifications does Peter lay out for the replacement apostle?
5. What do we know of these two men put forward by the group?
6. How did they determine the replacement Apostle? Who actually did the choosing?
7. If Matthias became the twelfth Apostle, how was Paul also counted as an Apostle?
8. What does it mean to be an Apostle? Are there any today?
9. Why was it necessary to replace Judas, but not any of the other Apostles at their deaths?
10. What else do we know of the life of Matthias?