###### THE MEN WHO FOLLOWED JESUS

The first Christian witnesses encountered Jesus of Nazareth, heard his teachings, witnessed his healings, and were present as he offered himself as the Savior of the world. The evangelists would record their memories in the Gospels.

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Jesus’ cousin, he prophesied the reign of God; condemned injustice; offered the baptism of repentance; called Jesus the lamb of God; and was martyred by Herod Antipas.

One of the first Apostles and a Galilean fisherman, he was a man of faith, weakness, repentance, and hope. Jesus called him to lead the church. He was the first bishop of Rome.

A fisherman called with his brother John to be one of the Twelve. Jesus called them the sons of thunder. He was martyred by Agrippa I.

One of the Twelve, he was a member of Jesus’ family—the son of Alphaeus (Cleopas) and Mary, the sister of Mary   
of Nazareth. James was the brother of Jose (Joseph)   
and Salome.

Follower of Jesus honored with the title “brother of the Lord.” Although not among the Twelve, he witnessed the resurrected Christ and became the bishop of Jerusalem.   
He was martyred before the Roman destruction of 70 CE.

The brother of James, he was a fisherman and one

known as the beloved disciple, he was a primary

church. The Gospel of John is named for him.

A fisherman from Galilee and one of the Twelve, he   
was the elder brother of Simon Peter who ministered   
to the Greeks.

One of the Twelve, he witnessed that Jesus was foretold by Moses and the prophets and brought Nathanael to the Lord.

Also known as Nathanael, he was the friend of Philip who recognized Jesus as the Son of God and became one of   
the Twelve.

Son of Alphaeus and brother of James, he was a Galilean tax collector and one of the Twelve. He was present for the descent of the Holy Spirit.

Also called Didymus, he was one of the Twelve. He refused to believe in the Risen Christ until he saw Jesus and touched his wounds.

One of the Twelve, he was an insurgent from Cana who worked to defeat the Roman Empire.

One of the Twelve, he was from Judea. He betrayed Jesus for thirty pieces of silver and then in grief hung himself.

One of the Twelve and a relative of Jesus and James, he was present at Pentecost. He preached with Bartholomew and Thomas.

A member of the Sanhedrin and disciple of Jesus, he secured Jesus’ body from Pilate and provided Jesus   
with a tomb.

A Pharisee, leader of the Judean people and Christian convert. He helped Joseph of Arimathea shroud and   
entomb Jesus.

A disciple who followed Jesus from his baptism to his Ascension. He was elected to replace Judas as one of   
the Twelve.

**NAME**

### John the Baptist

Simon Peter (Cephas)

James, son of Zebedee

James, the Younger or   
the Less

James, the Just

John, son of Zebedee

Andrew

Philip

Bartholomew

Matthew (Levi)

Thomas, the Twin

Simon, the Zealot

Judas Iscariot

Jude (Judas) Thaddaeus

Joseph of Arimathea

Nicodemus

Matthias

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