

I. The Apostles and Jesus

- A. Who they were (see Mark 3:13-19; Luke 6:12-16; John 1:35-49; also 1 Corinthians 15:9-10; Acts 1:26; 14:14; John 14:22)

Simon Peter son of Jonah
Andrew son of Jonah
James the son of Zebedee
John the sons of Zebedee
Philip
Bartholomew (a.k.a. Nathanael)

Thomas Didymus "the Twin"
Matthew the tax collector
James the son of Alphaeus
Thaddaeus (a.k.a. Judas the son of James)
Simon the Zealot
Judas Iscariot (later replaced by Matthias)

- B. Different from the other disciples (Matthew 19:27)
C. A unique role at a unique time (Matthew 10:5-6; 19:28)

II. The Apostles and the World

- A. Continuing the work of Jesus
1. Preaching "the gospel of the kingdom" (Matthew 9:35; 10:7)
 2. Casting out demons (Matthew 7:22; 10:8)
 3. Healing miracles (Mark 5:41; Acts 9:36, 40)
- B. Eyewitnesses of resurrection and ascension (Acts 1:8; 21:22; Luke 1:1-2; 2 Peter 1:16)
- C. To the Jew first (Romans 1:16; Acts 2:9-10; 8:26-40; Galatians 2:7)
- D. Witnesses in death (John 13:38; 21:18-19; Acts 8:1)

III. The Apostles and Us

- A. Recognized authority (Matthew 10:40; Ephesians 2:19-20)
- B. The Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20)
- C. Threefold ministry (*Westminster Confession* chapter 25; Matthew 16:9; Acts 1:26; 6:1-7; John 21:15-17; 1 Peter 5:1-5; Mark 3:14; 2 Timothy 2:1-2)
- D. Coda (Luke 18:34; 2 Peter 1:16; 1 Corinthians 11:1; Hebrews 13:7)