

# Acts of the Apostles 1:16-26 \_ Lesson 04

## *Replacing Judas*

### 1. Acts 1:12-15 – In One Accord

- a. 1:13 - The men here wrote the Hebrew epistles
- b. *“one accord in prayer”* – There is no indication they were praying for the Spirit
- c. *“Mary... and his brethren”* – See Matt 13:55, Mark 6:3, once unbelieving – John 7:5
- d. Mary did not participate in Christ’s redemptive work, she was his earthly mother

### 2. Acts 1:16-20 - The Death of Judas Fulfills Prophecy

- a. 1:16 - David prophesied of Judas – Ps 41:7-9,
- b. Judas plot to betray - Matt 26:2-4, 14, 20-25, 45-56 – multiple prophecies fulfilled
- c. Jesus knew who would betray him – John 6:70-71, 13:2, 18-30, 18:4
- d. *“he was numbered with us”* – Judah was the faithful tribe! - Ps 55:12-14
  - i. Jesus was numbered with transgressors, Judas numbered among them
  - ii. None was lost save the son of perdition – John 17:12
- e. The purchase of the potter’s field - Matthew 27:3-10 / Zech 11:12-13
- f. Did Judas hang himself, or fall off a cliff? - Let God be true. God spoke both verses.
  - i. There was a great earthquake, perhaps he fell – Matt 27:51
- g. *“in the book of Psalms”* – Which spoke of Christ – Ps 69:5,25; 109:9-15, Jn 15:25

### 3. Acts 1:21-26 – Ordaining the Twelfth Apostle

- a. They had to choose a replacement to be on twelve thrones – Luke 22:28-30
- b. They were given authority to bind and loose Matt 18:18-20
- c. The twelfth apostle had to have followed him – Matt 19:28
- d. To hold this office they had to be a witness of Christ’s earthly ministry – 1Jo 1:1
- e. The ministry began with the baptism of John (who did not preach the cross)
- f. The Twelve never saw Jesus in Heaven, Paul only saw Him in Heaven
- g. Matthias is confirmed by the Holy Spirit in Acts 2:4 and 1 Cor 15:5-8
- h. Barsabas may not be the same as Acts 4:36, 15:22, the names are different
- i. 1:24 - They prayed to a Lord who leads them from heaven.
- j. 1:25 – People disregard this verse because they cast lots, but Lev 16:8, Pro 16:33