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1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
2. What does this story teach me about myself?
3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?

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Unit 29 • Session 2

THE DISCIPLES REPLACED JUDAS

Acts 1

HOW DOES THE HOLY SPIRIT HELP CHRISTIANS? THE HOLY SPIRIT COMFORTS US, SHOWS US OUR SIN, AND GUIDES US AS WE LIVE FOR GOD'S GLORY.

Jesus' disciples returned to Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives, where they had seen Jesus ascend to heaven. These were the names of Jesus' apostles, the eleven of Jesus' disciples who were closest to Him: Peter, John, James, Andrew, Philip, Thomas, Bartholomew, Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus, Simon the Zealot, and Judas the son of James.

Peter stood up among the group and said, "The Scripture said that Jesus would be betrayed, so that is why Judas Iscariot did what he did. Judas has died, so we should choose someone else—someone who has been with us during the time we followed Jesus. We will choose someone to go with us and tell the truth about Jesus' resurrection."

So they decided to choose between two men: one named Joseph, called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and a man named Matthias. Then they prayed, "Lord, You know everyone's hearts; show which of these two You have chosen to take the place that Judas left." Then they cast lots for them, and the lot fell to Matthias and he was added to the eleven apostles.

Christ Connection: Matthias was chosen to join the apostles in sharing what they learned about Jesus. God calls us to join in this mission of sharing the gospel, working in community, and seeking Him in prayer.

Who Are the Twelve? | Circle the 12 names of Jesus' disciples, including the disciple who replaced Judas Iscariot. Look up Acts 1:13,26 if you need help.

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| Benjamin | John | Joseph |
| Michael | Simeon | Judah |
| James | James | Bartholomew |
| Andrew | Thomas | Matthias |
| Philip | Simon | Naphtali |
| Gad | Judas | Levi |
| Asher | Matthew | Dan |
| Peter | Reuben | |



The eleven disciples returned to Jerusalem.

Jesus' followers stayed in an upstairs room.

The disciples and women prayed together.

Peter taught from God's Word.

The disciples cast lots for Matthias and Barsabbas.

Illustrate It! | Create a picture for each prompt from today's Bible story.