

13 Disciples



Lessons in
following Christ

13 Disciples



The 13th Apostle



Who Was
Matthias the
Apostle?

Who is the 13th Apostle?

- Act 1, the disciples replace Judas!
- All Apostles are disciples, not all disciples are Apostles, but are sent!
- 12 Wanted, Matthias ordained



WAS MATTHIAS OR PAUL GOD'S CHOICE

TO REPLACE JUDAS AS THE 12TH APOSTLE?



Got
Question

Apostolic Qualifications

- Chosen by God. Not self or others
- Been with Jesus for 3 ½ years



Apostolic Qualifications

- **Saw a resurrected Christ!**
- **Endowed with powers! Signs and Ruling**





THEY HAD BEEN WITH JESUS

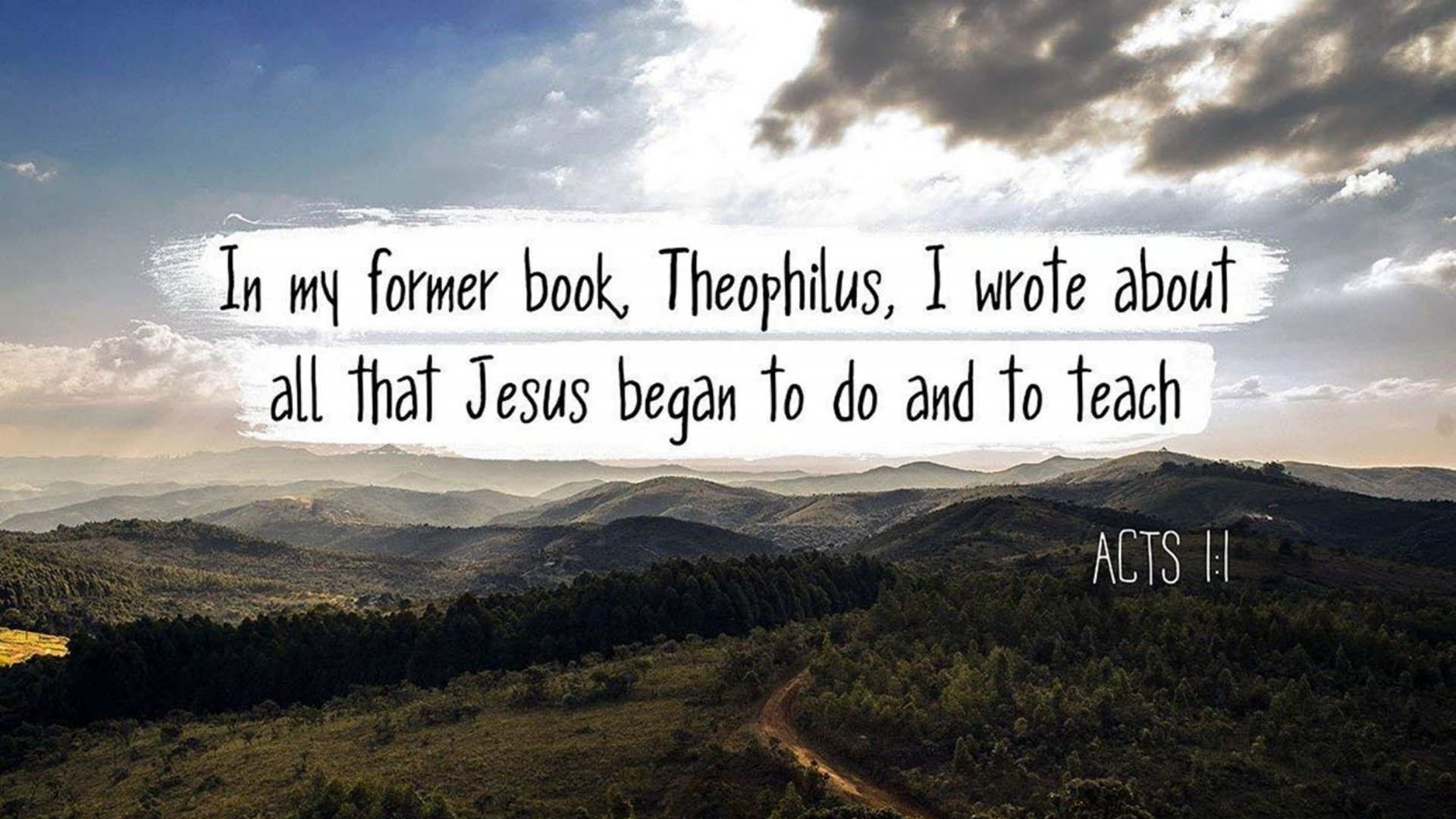
When they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and discovered that they were uneducated and ordinary men, they were amazed and recognized these men had been with Jesus.

(Acts 4:13 NET)

They “Turned the world upside down”

- **In 1 generation in a primitive world their influence continues / prevails!**
- **All the disciples took gospel to the world**
- **All that Jesus began to do and teach!**





In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about
all that Jesus began to do and to teach

ACTS 1:1

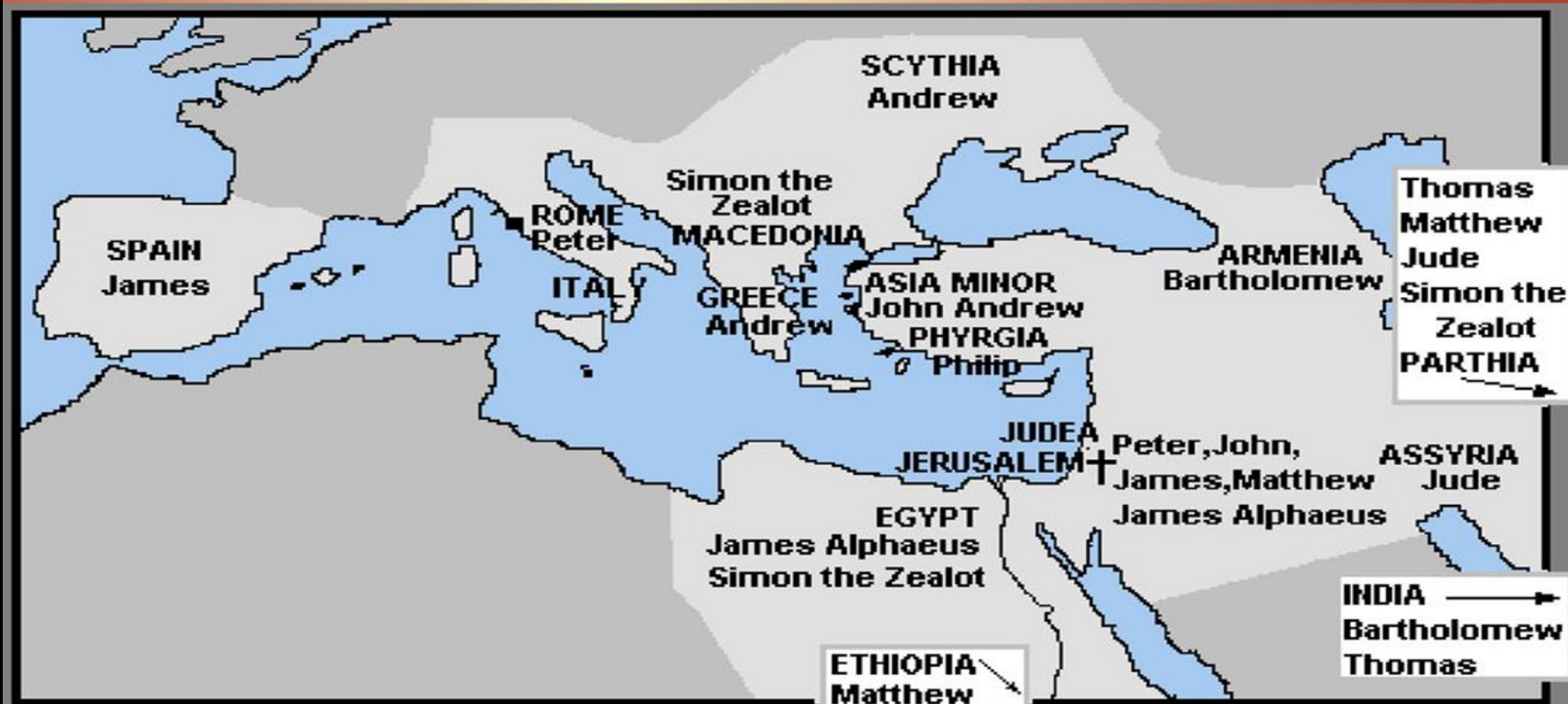
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**NATIONS IN JERUSALEM
AT PENTECOST**
Acts 2:9-11



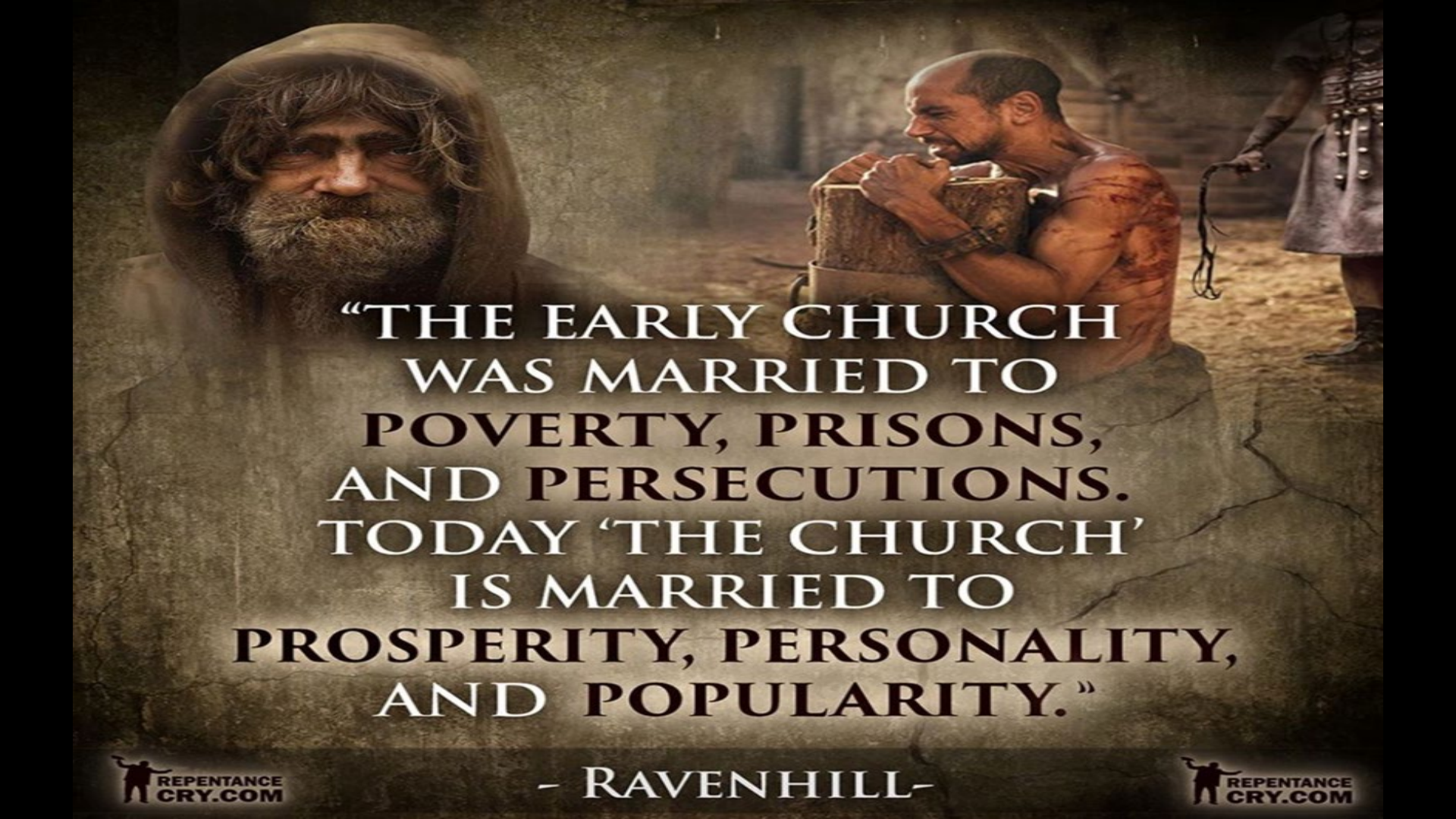
Twelve Apostles' Travels



The 13th Apostle?!

- **1 Corinthians 15:8 – and last of all, as to one untimely born, He appeared to me also.**
- **Saul – Paul. Chief Persecutor!**
- **His testimony – 3x – Acts 9, 22, 26**





**“THE EARLY CHURCH
WAS MARRIED TO
POVERTY, PRISONS,
AND PERSECUTIONS.
TODAY ‘THE CHURCH’
IS MARRIED TO
PROSPERITY, PERSONALITY,
AND POPULARITY.”**

- RAVENHILL -

"THE EARLY CHURCH HAD
NO BUILDING, NO MONEY, AND
NO POLITICAL INFLUENCE.
AND THEY TURNED THE WORLD
UPSIDE-DOWN."

—J.D. GREAR



Preach the
Gospel
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Disciple – Apostle - Messenger

- My disciples (Luke 14) – follower, student
- Apostles – Messengers, sent ones



Disciple – Apostle - Messenger

- Use also of others; Titus, Epaphroditus . . .
- As the Father has sent Me, I also send you.



“He fell to the ground
and heard a **VOICE**
say to him, ‘**SAUL,**
why do you
persecute me?’”

Acts 9:4



The “New Perspective on Paul”

- “justification through faith”!!! – Sola Fide
- Penal Substitutionary Atonement



The “New Perspective on Paul”

- Moral sins directly rebuked; sodomy . . .
- Radical, cross bearing global evangelism!





EXAMPLES OF CONVERSIONS IN ACTS

Conversion of
Saul of Tarsus

Acts 9:1-30; 22:1-21; 26:12-18

The surpassing value of knowing Christ

- 12th Apostle is Matthias, Judas
- 13th Apostle is Paul!
- 13th Apostle / messengers are all of us!





Have the same care of one another


- **The Priesthood of Believers!**
- **Progressive Sanctification**



Have the same care of one another


- **Koinonia – forsake not assembling!**
- **Diverse Unity! We need each other**





BUT YOU ARE A
CHOSEN RACE, A ROYAL
PRIESTHOOD, A HOLY
NATION, A PEOPLE FOR
HIS OWN POSSESSION,
THAT YOU MAY PROCLAIM
THE EXCELLENCIES OF
HIM WHO CALLED YOU
OUT OF DARKNESS INTO
his marvelous light.

1 PETER 2:9



PAUL
APOSTLE OF CHRIST
IN THEATERS EASTER 2018



