# W3: APOSTOLIC BANDS

"Therefore, holy brothers and sisters, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, who was faithful to him who appointed him"

- Hebrews 3:1-2

"And (Jesus) appointed twelve (whom he called apostles) so that they might be with him and he might send them out to preach and have authority to cast out demons."

- Mark 3:14-15

### Session 1: Word

Mt 3	1:9-13 3:13-4 :21-23 :1-2	:1	Jn 2:12-13					Mk 3:7-20 Mt 4:12-13 Lk 6:12-19							
Jn 1	:32 Lk 1	Jn :13-17 :34-37	1:19-2:2 Jn 2:2-11		Jn 3:22, 4: Jn 4:		1-3 :4-45	Mk 1:14-20 Lk 5:1-11 Mk 1:2			Lks	Lk 9:1-10:2 Joł		4 nn 17:4, 18 Acts 1:1-23	
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\* Below the line write a short synopsis of each passage on the timeline.

- Who was the apostolic band? What do we know about each person from Scripture?
- How did the apostolic band find each other? Who made the decision to work together?
- What did they do together?
- What were the people or places the apostolic band focused on?
- Did the apostolic band ever change? Why or why not?
- Did the target ever change? Why or why not?

## Session 2: Word

Read Acts 1-12 (Create your own timeline for the apostolic band.)

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## Session 3: Word

Read Acts 13-28 (Create your own timeline for the apostolic band.)

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## Session 4: Works

#### **Case Studies**

\*Choose at least one to report on to the group. Feel free to research other sources.

### Wesleyan Movement:

https://christianhistoryinstitute.org/magazine/article/wesley-gallery-leadership-team

### William Carey:

https://www.imb.org/2018/07/31/missionaries-you-should-know-william-carey/ https://www.wholesomewords.org/missions/bcarey13.html

## The Jesus Movement (Costa Mesa, CA)

https://harvest.org/resources/gregs-blog/post/the-long-strange-trip-of-lonnie-frisbee/ https://romans1015.com/jesus-movement/

## Auca of Ecuador

https://www.christianity.com/church/church-history/timeline/1901-2000/jim-elliot-no-fo ol-11634862.html

https://www.christianity.com/wiki/people/who-were-the-five-missionaries-who-died-in-t he-ecuador-jungle.html

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## Session 5: Wineskin

Why does this matter?

Based on our studies of Scripture and God working in history:

- 1. What is the minimum of an apostolic band?
- 2. What principles of forming an apostolic band can we take away?
- 3. When and why would we multiply apostolic bands?

What will you do?

- 1. What is your part in developing an apostolic band with you?
- 2. What is your part in multiplying apostolic bands?