



Replacing Judas

Acts 1:12-26

Constant Prayer - disciples, flame, house - Jesus' disciples returned to Jerusalem after his ascension. They stayed in a house unified in prayer and worship.

Judas' Betrayal - Jesus, chains, Judas, gallows - Peter stood up and spoke about Judas' betrayal, how it was prophesied by David, and how terrible was his death.

Jesus' Witness - empty tomb, man, flame, flag - Peter said the Psalms prophesied a replacement. The new apostle must be someone who had been with Jesus since John's baptism, and witnessed his resurrection.

Dream Team - Jesus, cloud, flame, apostle - They chose two candidates. They prayed for discernment. The Holy Spirit confirmed Matthias as the new apostle.

Storytellers Sight

- Imagine you're with the disciples praying. What are you thinking about now that Jesus has ascended?
- Why did the disciples need the Holy Spirit to come?
- List examples of Judas' betrayal in Psalm 109.
- How did the other disciples feel about Judas' death?
- Why did the new apostle need to be an eyewitness?
- Consider their prayer, "Lord, you know all our hearts."
- What were Jesus' disciples preparing for and why?