

PRE-TIME: Word trace - APOSTLE

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PRAYER: (Lead the class in prayer or have a child say the prayer.)

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BIBLE STORY: Use text provided entitled "Twelve apostles" and laminated colored pictures for the lesson.

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QUESTIONS: See questions sheet

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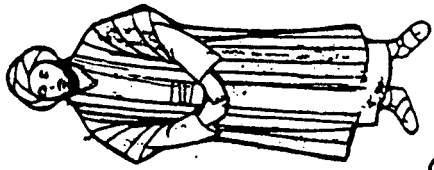
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MEMORY WORK: Twelve apostles

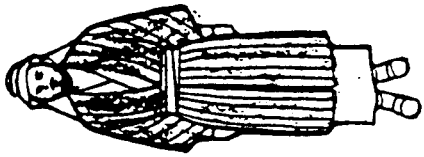
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James, Simon, Thaddeus, Judas.

BIBLE FACTS: (Use the "Bible" facts flip-chart.)

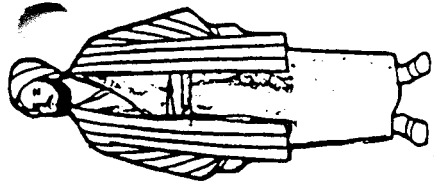
TAKE-HOME HANDOUT(S): 12 apostles color sheet with memory/ work on it.
12 apostles Refrigerator Magnet



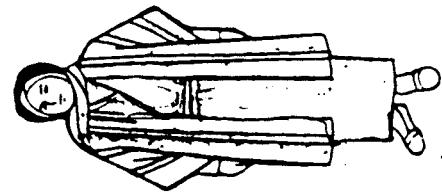
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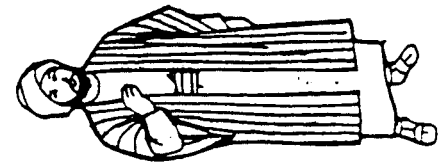
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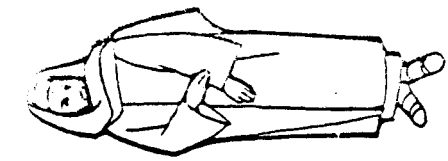
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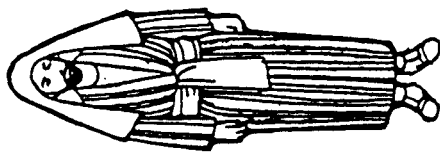
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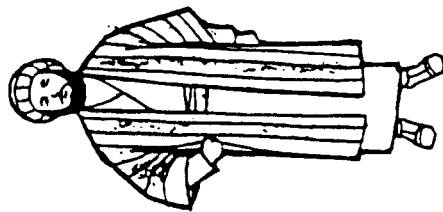
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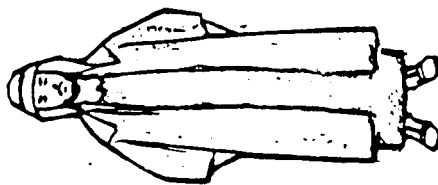
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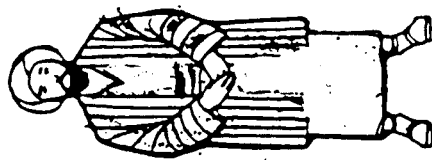
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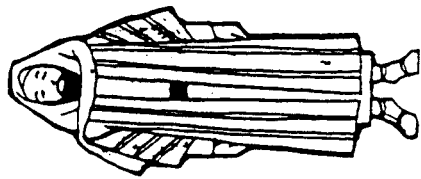
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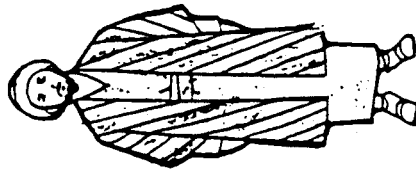
James



Simon



Thaddeus



Judas

Lesson 4 Questions

The Twelve Apostles

1. Did the people like to hear Jesus talk about God? (Yes)
2. What did Jesus do one night before He chose the apostles? (Prayed)
3. What were the twelve men called whom Jesus picked out to help Him teach the people? (Apostles)
4. Who were the four fishermen that Jesus chose? (Peter, Andrew, James, and John)
5. Were Peter and Andrew brothers? (Yes)
6. Were James and John brothers? (Yes)
7. Who was taking up money for taxes? (Matthew)
8. Did Matthew leave his work and followed Jesus? (Yes)
9. Name the twelve apostles
 - Peter
 - Andrew
 - James
 - John
 - Philip
 - Thomas
 - Matthew
 - Bartholomew
 - James
 - Simon
 - Thaddeus
 - Judas

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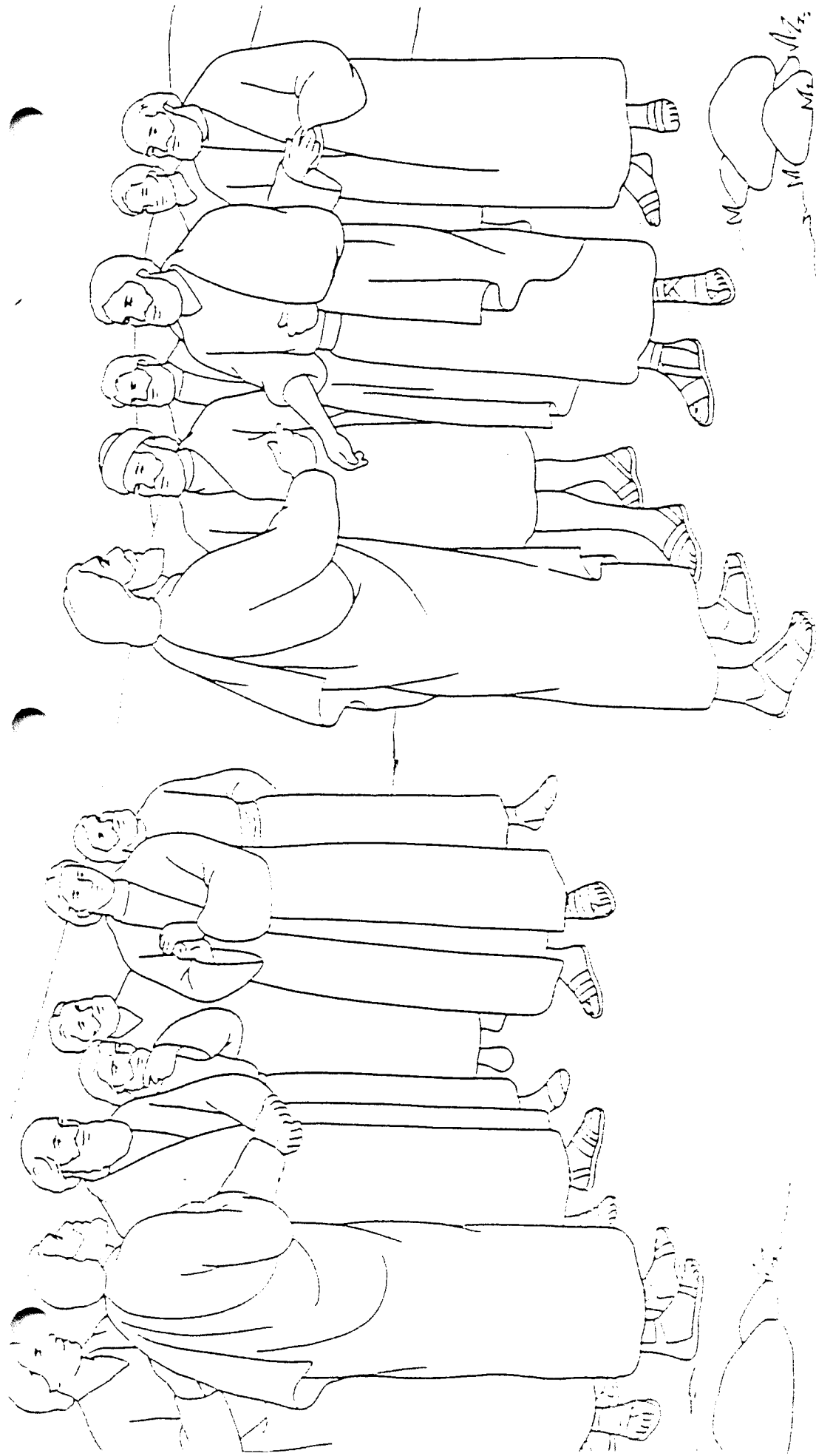
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MEMORY WORK:

Learn the 12 apostles

Peter, Andrew, James, John,
Philip, Thomas, Matthew,
Bartholomew, James, Simon,
Thaddeus, and Judas.

PRE-TIME: Color sheet - (12 apostles are chosen)

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MEMORY WORK: Twelve apostles

BIBLE FACTS: (Use the "Bible" facts flip-chart.)

TAKE-HOME HANDOUT(S): Memory Game - The Twelve Apostles

Laminated picture #1

Remember John the Baptist. He told people to get ready for Jesus. Now Jesus was ready to begin the special work which God had planned for Him. It was about this time that He chose some helpers to be with Him.

Laminated picture #2

Jesus prayed all night before He chose His helpers. They were to learn all about Jesus. One day they would go and tell everyone about Jesus. He needed people who could help him. They were called "Apostles". The word apostle means 'one sent on a mission' or a special helper with divine power. This story tells how He chose some of the apostles.

Laminated picture #3

One day Jesus was walking by the Sea of Galilee. He saw two boats there. Peter and Andrew were brothers fishing from one boat. They were fishermen. That means that they caught fish to sell to people.

When Jesus saw them putting their fishing nets into the sea to catch more fish, Jesus called, "Follow Me – I want you to be my helpers."

Peter and Andrew were glad that Jesus had called them to be His helpers. They left their fishing immediately and followed him.

Laminated picture #3b

As they were walking on the shore they came upon two other brothers. They were fishermen, too. The brother, James and John were mending their fishing nets, when Jesus called to them.

"I need helpers" Jesus called, "Will you be my helper, James? Will you be my helper, John?"

At once, James and John left their boat and their nets and followed Jesus. They were happy that Jesus had chosen them to be His helpers.

Now Jesus had four helpers—Peter, Andrew, James, and John. But, Jesus need more men to help Him do the special work God wanted Him to do. Next He called Philip and Thomas.

Laminated picture #4

Later, Jesus passed by a man named Matthew. Matthew's job was a tax collector. His job was to take the taxes paid from the people to the King. Jesus looked at Matthew and said, "Follow me." At once, Matthew left his work and followed Jesus.

Laminated picture #5

Then came Bartholomew, another James, Simon, Thaddeus, and Judas. This made twelve helpers.

Laminated picture #6

The twelve apostles walked and talked with Jesus. Jesus taught them many lessons. Jesus taught the people about God and did many wonderful things. They helped Him in many ways. The twelve apostles names are Peter, Andrew, James, John, Philip, Thomas, Matthew, Bartholomew, James, Simon, Thaddeus, and Judas. They loved Jesus very much and were glad to be His helpers. They were learning things that they needed to tell people about God and his son, Jesus.



Jesus called them one by one.

