

Twelve Apostles

Section 9 – Lesson 4

Sunday Morning

1st & 2nd Grades

PRAYER: *(Ask the children if there are any special things we need to pray for today. Lead the class in prayer, or have a child say the prayer)*

PRETIME: Write the word “APOSTLE” on the board. Have the children practice writing the word so that it becomes familiar to them.

ATTENDENCE: *(Have one student at a time place a sticker on their chart while the others complete the pre-time activity. This is a good time to practice/recite the memory verse.)*

DEFINITIONS: *(Discuss the meaning of the words prior to telling the story.)*
Today’s Word - APOSTLE, TRAITOR.

BIBLE STORY:
Luke 6:12 - 16 Read these verses from the Bible, then read Mark 6:7-13.

QUESTIONS:

1. In our story today, where did Jesus do to pray?
2. How long did He pray to God?
3. When the next day came, what did Jesus do?
4. What is an apostle?
5. How many apostles were there?
6. Name some of the things that the apostles did for a job/living.
7. Who was the traitor?
8. ~~What did Jesus do to the traitor?~~
9. How did Jesus send out the apostles? Or (how many together)
10. Where they supposed to take anything with them? What?
11. What were they told not to take with them?
12. Where were they supposed to stay when they were out preaching?
13. What were they supposed to preach for people to do?

SONG: “The song about the 12 Apostles”

ACTIVITY: Practice names the 12 apostles as they color the picture of the 12 apostles.

BIBLE FACT: *(Quiz children as they are completing the activity listed above.)*

- How many parts is the Bible divided into?
- How many books are in the Old Testament?
- How many books are in the New Testament?
- Name the books of the Old Testament.
- Name the books of the New Testament.

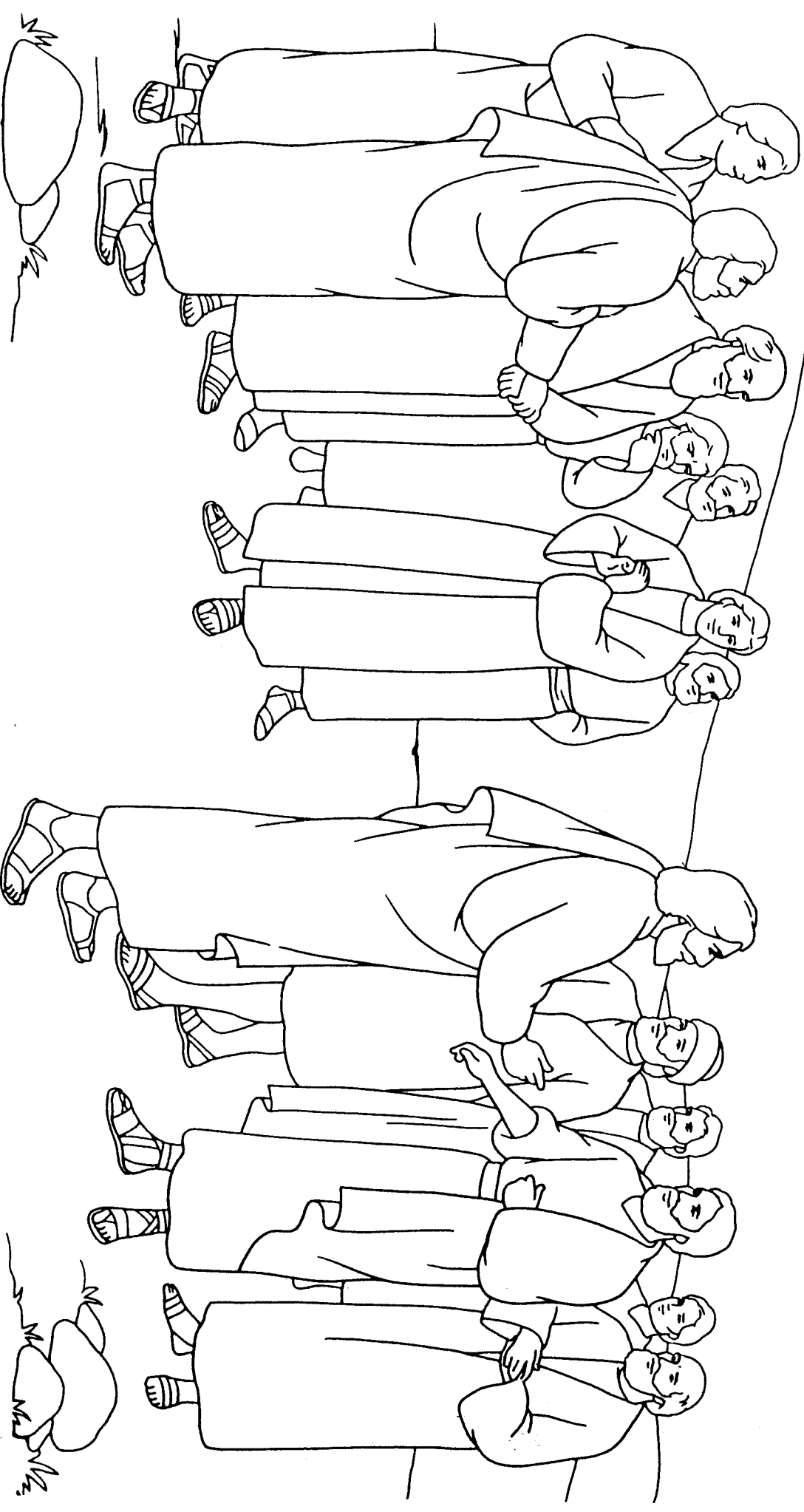
(This can be done as a group or, have a child recite the books. Record the “single” child’s progress on the “memory-record” poster.)

MEMORY WORK:
Memorize the 12 apostle’s names.

TAKE-HOME HANDOUTS(S):
Learn the Apostles Sheet, Color Sheet of Apostles.

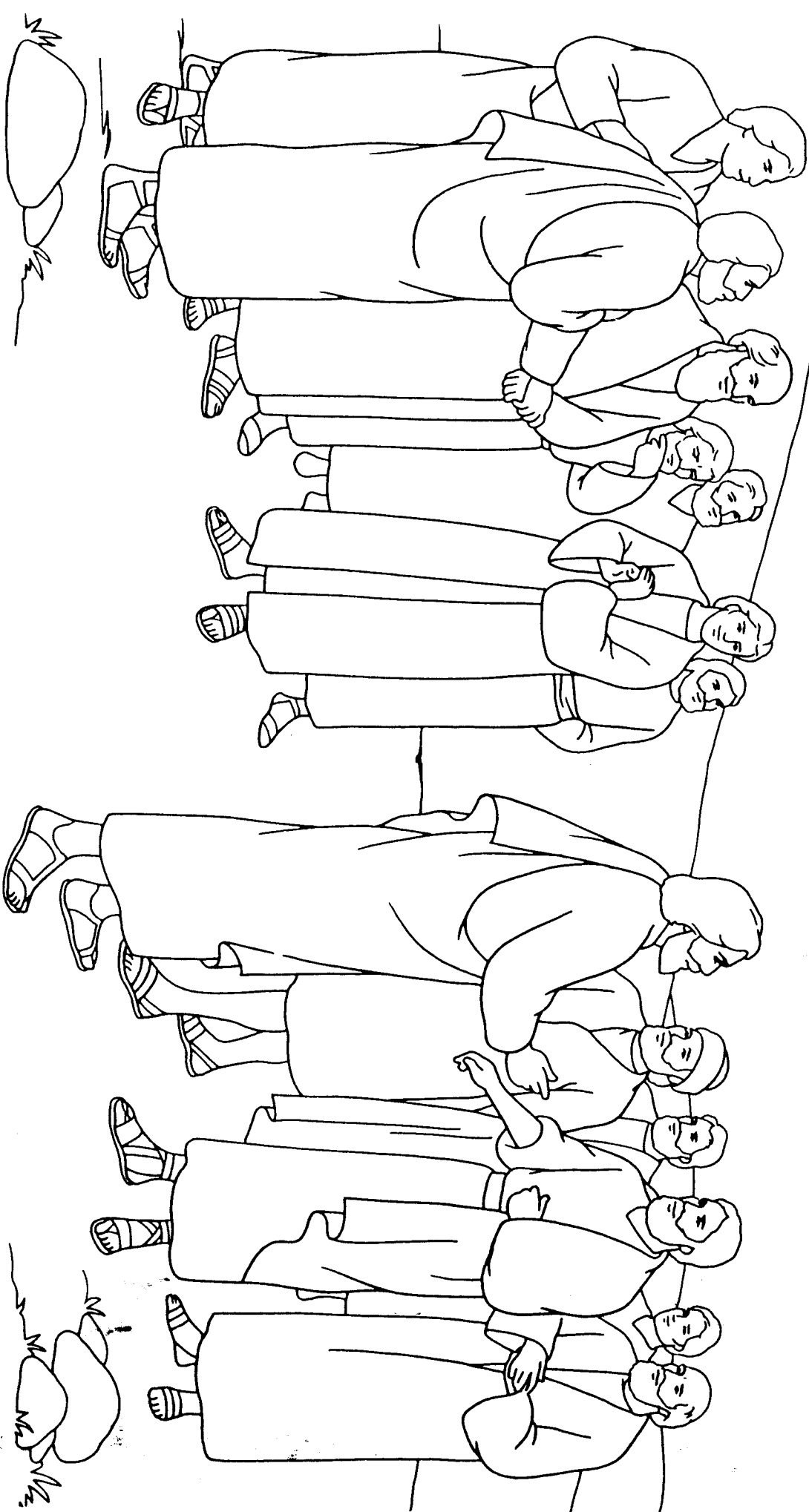
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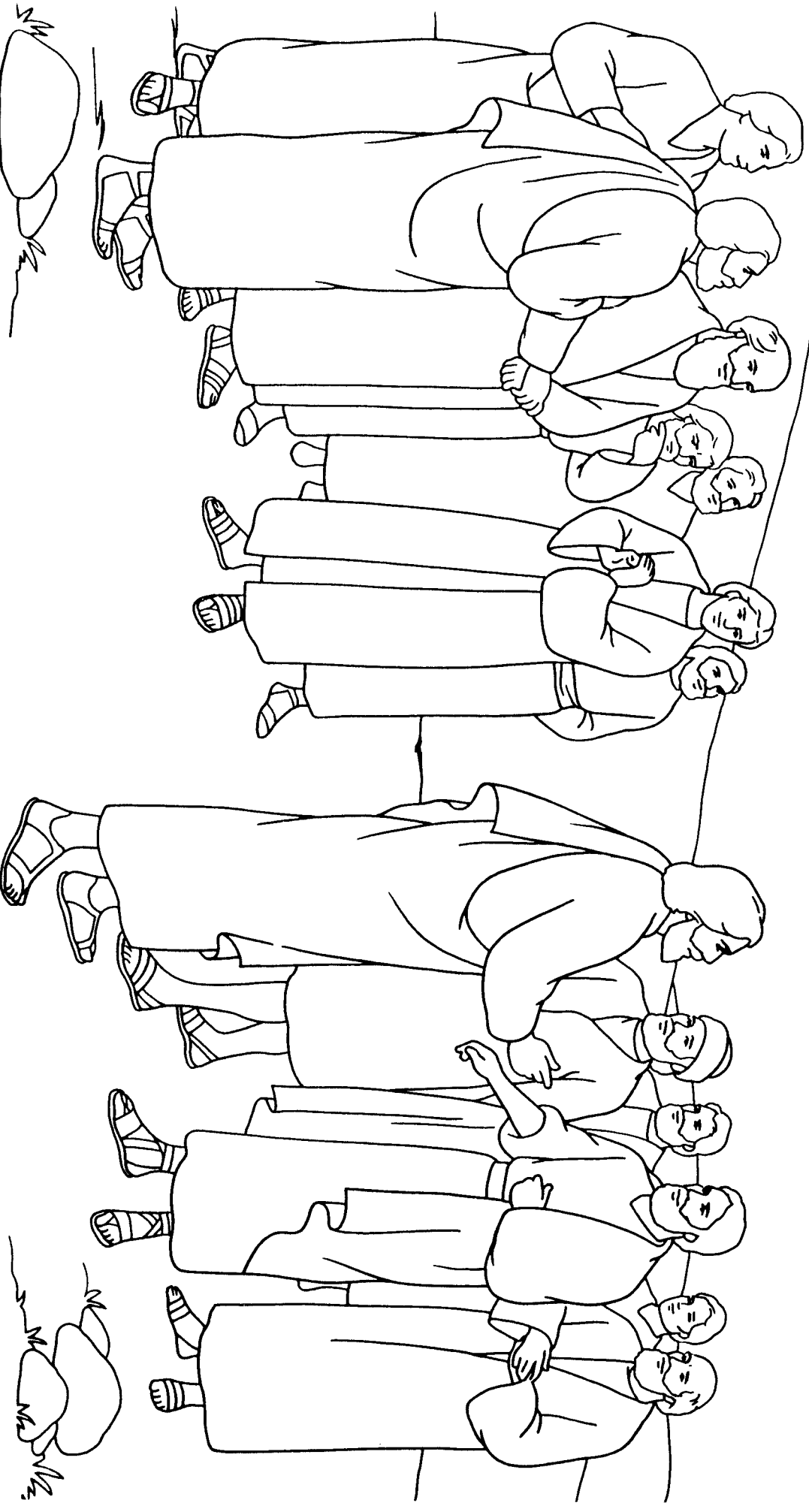
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PETER
ANDREW
JAMES
JOHN
PHILIP
THOMAS
MATTHEW
BARTHOLOMEW
JAMES the son of Alpheus
SIMON
THADDEUS
JUDAS

Matt. 4:18-22; 9:9; 10

Mark 6:7-13; 3:13-19

Luke 9:3-7; 6:12-16

John 1:35-51

Concept Development: Faith - following Jesus

Words to define: disciple (helper, student, follower), apostle (one sent out with specific work)

Lesson

During the time John was preaching, Jesus had been in the desert, tempted by the devil. He left the desert and Satan and went toward the Jordan river where John was baptizing. John had many disciples that followed him hoping to learn more about God's will. One of his disciples was Andrew. The next day after Jesus' baptism, Jesus came walking toward John and his disciples when he says, "Behold the Lamb of God!" From that day **Andrew** started to follow after Jesus. He went to see his brother **Simon** and said, "We have found the Messiah," and he brought him to see Jesus. Jesus gave him another name, Peter, which means a rock or stone.

On his way to Galilee he saw **Philip** and said, "Follow Me". He went and found **Bartholomew** and took him to Jesus. As they walked towards Him, Jesus, behold an Israelite in who is an honest man!" Bartholomew asks him, "How do you know me?" "I saw you under a fig tree before Philip came to you."

While Jesus was preaching near the Sea of Galilee he saw the two brothers, **James** and **John**, who were casting their nets for fish with their father, Zebedee. "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men", Jesus said. They immediately left their boat and their father and followed after Jesus.

Jesus saw **Matthew** sitting as a tax collector, "Follow me," and Matthew left everything behind and rose and begin to follow him.

The other apostles that were chosen were **Thomas** (twin, also known as the doubter), **James** (son of Alphaeus), **Thaddeus** (man of heart), **Simon** (hearing) the Zealot and **Judas** Iscariot.

Jesus told them to heal the sick, raise the dead, cast out demons, cleanse the lepers and preach, "The kingdom of heaven is at hand!"

Take-home sheet

Activity

Gather: two tunics, a shoulder bag with pair of sandals, money belt with coins, and staff. Have child put all items on. "Now what did Jesus ask them to leave behind?" (The child begins to enumerate as he takes them off.) Then he goes to the door and says, "May peace be upon this house!" Have someone stand near door and say, "Come in, we want to hear about Jesus and the kingdom." Then change the householder for, "We want nothing to do with that Jesus." Then have him demonstrate shaking the dust from his feet.

Songs

Apostle Song

(To the tune of Jesus Loves Me this I know)

Jesus called them one by one
Peter, Andrew, James and John
Next came Phillip, Thomas too
Matthew and Bartholomew

James the one they called the less
Simon also Thaddaeus
The next apostle Judas made
Jesus was by him betrayed

I Want to be a worker for the Lord

Which Happened First?

Number the following sentences in the order they appear in your lesson for today.

- _____ John the Baptist said, "Behold the Lamb of God."
- _____ Jesus came from the desert to the Jordan River.
- _____ Philip went to find Nathanael.
- _____ Andrew told Peter about Jesus.
- _____ James and John followed Jesus.

Multiple Choice. Circle the correct choice.

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What is a Disciple?

From the following statements pick the answer which is *not* correct and cross it out.

1. He is a follower.
2. He is a student.
3. He is a helper.
4. He is an enemy.

Can we be disciples? _____

How can we be disciples ? _____

Would you be a follower of Jesus if you did the following things?

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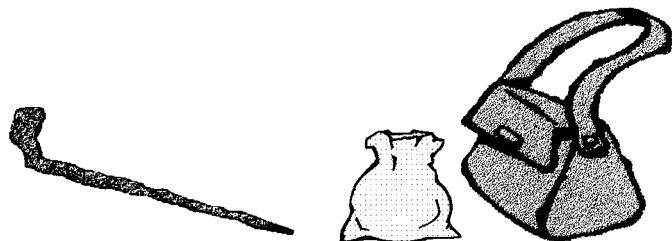
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3. Talk during the sermon. _____
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Apply the Lesson

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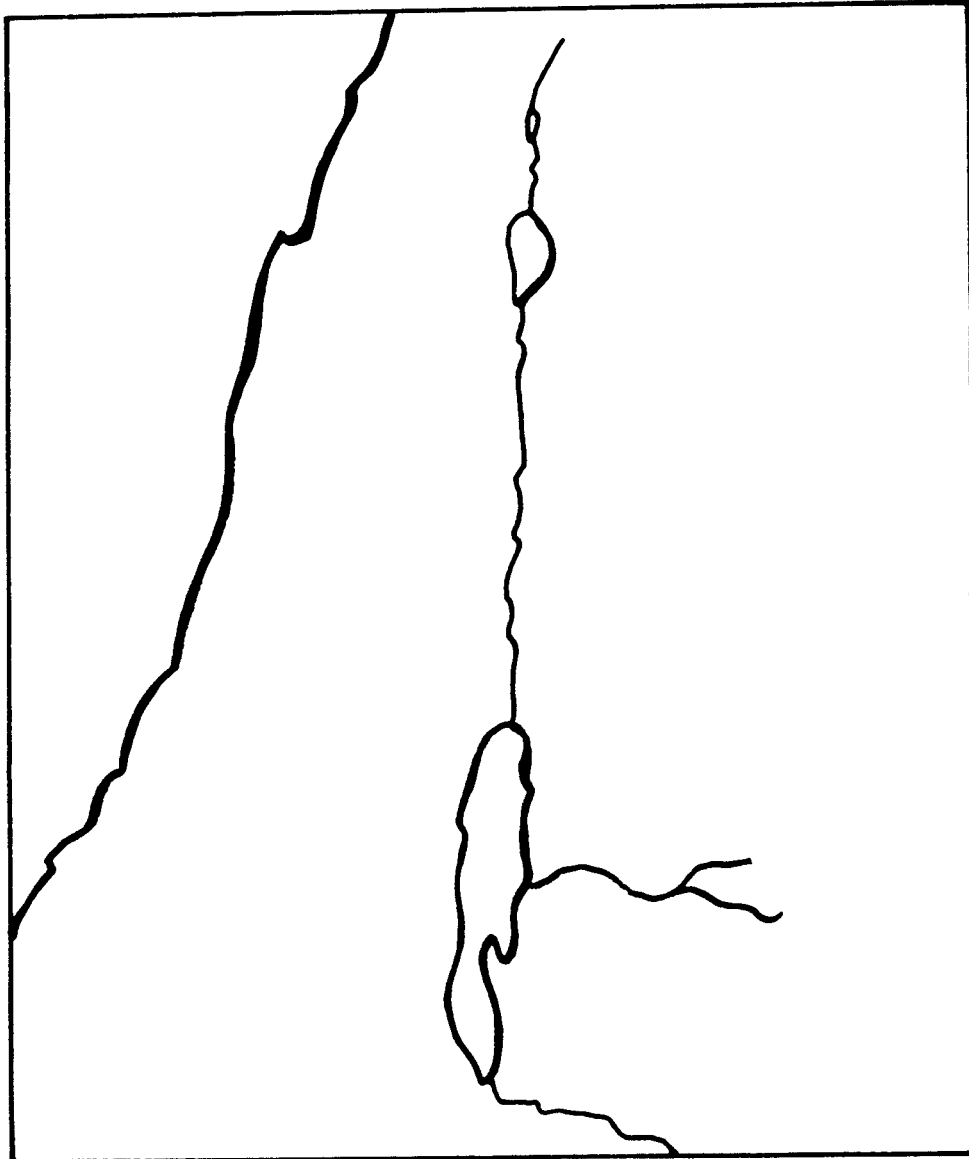
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Let's discuss other ways we can be disciples or followers of Christ. Write down a way you can be a disciple of Christ this week.

Class Activity



Label the following on your map: Nazareth, Jerusalem, Sea of Galilee, Dead Sea, Jordan River. Use a pencil and mark the route to Jerusalem.