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Making the Right Choice

Acts 1:20-26

I. How Did the Disciples Make their Decision?

A. He was with Jesus _____ His ministry (vv. 21-22a)
[Lk. 10:1-2; Mk. 1:1-11; Matt. 28:19-20; Acts 1:8-9]

B. He was a _____ to the resurrection (v. 22b)
[Acts 1:8; 4:33; 1 Pet. 1:3; 1 Cor. 15:1-4]

C. He was _____ by God (vv. 23-26)
[1 Sam. 16:7; Rom. 8:27; Matt. 19:27-28; 2 Cor. 12:11; Prov. 16:33;
Lev. 16:8; Num. 26:55; Josh. 7:14; 1 Sam. 10:20]

II. How Do You Make Decisions Today?

A. Be saved and be _____ (Acts 17:30; Rom. 12:1-2)

B. _____ for God's will to be done (Matt. 6:9-10;
Phil. 4:6-7; Jms. 1:5)

C. _____ the Bible (2 Tim. 2:15; 2 Cor. 6:14;
Eph. 6:1-3)

D. Seek _____ counsel (Prov. 1:5; 11:14; 12:15; 19:21)

E. Do what you _____ (Psa. 37:4; Eccl. 11:9;
1 Tim. 6:17; Rom. 14:23; Psa. 27:14; 40:8)

TAKE HOME

- How are you being a **witness** to the resurrection?
- What were you chosen by God to **do**?
- How can these five principles help you make **God-honoring** decisions?

STUDY QUESTIONS

James 1:22 says, *“But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.”* These questions are designed to help you apply today’s message to your life. We encourage you to thoughtfully answer these questions and discuss your answers with others. For more information about joining a small group that uses these questions as the basis for discussion, prayer, and accountability, please visit our website at placertachurch.com.

1. Read Acts 1:20. What happened to Judas? What Psalms are being quoted in this verse? What did Peter do in response to these Psalms?

2. Read Acts 1:21-22. What was the first qualification of the replacement Apostle? Why is this so important? (Lk. 10:1-2; Mk. 1:1-11; Matt. 28:19-20; Acts 1:8-9) What principle can you learn and apply to your life?

3. Look at the second half of verse 22. What is the second qualification for the replacement Apostle? (Acts 1:8; 4:33; 1 Pet. 1:3; 1 Cor. 15:1-4) Why is this so important? How can you be a witness to the resurrection as well?

4. Read Acts 1:23-25. What do we learn from these verses? What does God know about your heart? (1 Sam. 16:7; Rom. 8:27) Will God choose you for a special assignment based on something He knows about your heart? Why or why not?

5. Read Acts 1:26. What is the casting of lots? Where else do we see this in Scripture? Was it right for the disciples to do this? (Prov. 16:33; Lev. 16:8; Num. 26:55; Josh. 7:14; 1 Sam. 10:20)

6. Review the five step process for making godly decisions. Which one of these steps do you often bypass? Which one of these steps do you need to spend more time on?

7. Read the take home questions. Which one challenges you or encourages you the most? Why? How will this passage help you trust God and walk more closely with Him this week?

“The lot is cast into the lap, but its every decision is from the LORD.”

- Proverbs 16:33