

## Matching &amp; Describing

# 12 Apostles

Jesus gathered disciples (= friends) around him. From these friends he choose twelve as apostles.

The word "apostle" comes from Greek and means "envoy". In a way, all Christians are ambassadors of Jesus, and thus apostles.

You want to know more about the 12 apostles? Connect the same numbers with each other and read the corresponding text in the box.

**Thaddeus**

Missionary in the Near East and helper in hopeless situations.

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**Philip**

Formerly a disciple of John the Baptist. Missionary in Asia Minor.

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**Thomas**

He bears the nickname "twin". Patron saint of East India and the architects.

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**Bartholomew**

Apostle of the Orient.

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**Matthew**

Former customs officer. Patron saint of finances.

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**Matthias**

Replacement apostle for Judas Iscariot, who betrayed Jesus. Patron saint of the builders.

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**Peter**

Was the 1st Pope.



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**Andrew**

Brother of Peter. Died on a cross that looked like an X.



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**Simon**

Patron saint of weavers, dyers and forest workers.



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**John**

Favorite disciple of Jesus, patron of writers and brother of James the Elder. Jesus also called the two brothers "sons of thunder".



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**James the Elder**

Patron saint of Spain and the pilgrim.



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**James the Younger**

His nickname is also "the smaller" or "the just".



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