



THE HEIGHTS FELLOWSHIP

THIS WEEK AT THF

▶ TUESDAY

THF College - Meets at Sarah's Home - 5006 94th St.
7:00pm-9:00pm

▶ WEDNESDAY

THF Students - Worship & Small Groups
7:00pm-8:30pm ~ Doors open at 6:30pm

▶ THURSDAY

THF Men - Bible Study & Fellowship
6:30am-7:30am
THF Women - Fellowship Event
6:00pm-8:00pm

UPCOMING AT THF

▶ FEBRUARY 22 - Men's Breakfast

Details to Come

Accessing your 2024 Giving Statement

www.theheightsfellowship.org

- Click Connect Link
- Click Online Member Portal
- Click inFellowship
- Log in or create an account
- Click Your Giving
- Change the year to 2024
- Click View/Download Statement

Please continue to check all of our social media outlets and our website for updates to weekly activities and Sunday Services.

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FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

January 26, 2025

<i>BUDGET GIVING:</i>	\$8,720.00
<i>BUDGET NEEDS:</i>	\$19,346.00

YEAR TO DATE

<i>BUDGET GIVING:</i>	\$59,045.73
<i>BUDGET NEEDS:</i>	\$69,094.00

February 2, 2025

THE INTERLUDE...



THE STATE OF THINGS... WE ARE LIVING IN AN ACTS 1 (ROMANS 1) WORLD

Acts 1:12-26 occurs during the 10 DAY period **AFTER** Jesus ascended and **BEFORE** Pentecost

Jesus had been **CRUCIFIED, RISEN**, and now **ASCENDED**...for the first time the disciples were LEFT ALONE

“Providence works with grace. They that put themselves by prayer into the hands of God are led on by His hand.”

THE PEOPLE THAT PRAYED vv12-14

...because they were told to WAIT

...because that was the only way they had to TO TALK TO JESUS

...because they WERE INCOMPLETE AS A GROUP

The Personnel -

The **ELEVEN**

The **WOMEN**

The **BROTHERS**

MARY NOTE: THIS IS THE LAST MENTION OF MARY IN THE NT

[A very few] **OTHERS**

STAT LINE: THERE WERE A FEW HUNDRED IN GALILEE MAYBE

After it was all said and done...there were 120 believers when Jesus ascended!The estimated population of Jews in Palestine at the time was **4,000,000**. That is about **1** Christian for every 30,000 Jews!

TRANSLATED TO LUBBOCK COUNTY IN 2025 (300,000) WOULD BE 10 CHRISTIANS!

THE PROBLEM THEY PRAYED ABOUT vv15-20

Judas had DEFECTED!

How does Judas' defection and death affect the mission?

Does it cancel out the scripture (prophecy)?

Can they go on?

The **TWELVE** were a *special, select* group

— been **CHOSEN** by Jesus

— **SEEN** and **EXPERIENCED** Jesus in public and in the shadows

— Jesus had chosen them and SET THEM APART for a specific role in the overall *plan* of God

Judas' **Treachery** was **PROPHESIED** **ps 41:9, 55:12-14**

Judas' **REPLACEMENT** was just as much a part of God's **PLAN**

ps 69:25, 109:8

THE PERSON FOR WHOM THEY PRAYED vv21-26

The *qualifications* of an Apostle vv21-22

— CHOSEN by Jesus, Himself

— EYEWITNESS of Jesus from the beginning of His ministry

— *Eyewitness* of the RESURRECTED JESUS

The two candidates...

Joseph (Barsabbas/Justus)

Matthias

Casting Lots was the way choosing *offices and duties* in the **TEMPLE** were decided (cf Luke 1:9)

INSIGHTS AND APPLICATIONS

1. God never treats His word CASUALLY ...neither should we! He executes His plan right down to the **LETTER!**

2. You may have passed on God in the past...you do not have to NOW!

3. 'Wait' is never a passive assignment from God. It involves *four* things: **Prayer, Praise, Worship, Fellowship**



THF LIFENotes

2-2-25

1. When you don't get a yes or a no from God, only a wait, what is your strategic response? Do you talk to others? Do you fret? Do you pray? Discuss with your group.
2. How did Judas' defection and death affect the mission of the Apostles? Does it cancel out the prophecy from the Old Testament? How will they "go on"?
3. Discuss with your group what made the choosing of Matthias a unique process for an exceptional time. Why would we not use this practice in choosing ministry leaders today?
4. In deciding God's will for our lives how can prayer, praise, worship, and fellowship be a part of the development in determining a direction of action? Share your answers with your group.