

## Story 29



## The Twelve Disciples 🎵

Matthew 4:18-22; 10:3-4, Mark 1:16-20; 3:18 John 1:35-51

**The Bridge:** After Jesus was baptized, He began His ministry and chose 12 men to be His disciples.

### The Story:

- Jesus was walking by the water and saw two fishermen [Simon Peter and Andrew]. He called them to leave their boats and nets to follow Him and become “fishers of men”. They immediately followed Him.
- In some of the neighboring villages, He found other men [James and John] and asked that they leave their jobs, their families, and follow Him. They immediately followed Him as well.
- On His way to Galilee, Jesus found Philip and told him, “Follow Me.” Philip found Nathanael who also followed Jesus.
- Ultimately, Jesus chose 12 men to be his disciples. They were Simon Peter, Andrew, James, the son of Zebedee, John, Philip, Thomas, Matthew, James, the son of Alphaeus, Simon, the Zealot, Thaddaeus, Bartholomew, who was also called Nathanael in John’s Gospel, and Judas (Mark 3:16-19).
- By spending much time with them, Jesus trained these 12 men to teach, preach, and help people, just as He did.



*What did Jesus mean when He said, “You will be Fishers of Men?”*

🎵 *“There Were Twelve Disciples” will help children and even some adults to learn the names of the twelve disciples. (See [www.HISTORYcloth.com](http://www.HISTORYcloth.com) “downloads” for the lyrics and chords.)*