

Andrew

List of Disciples/Apostles:

Matthew 10:2-4² Now the names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; ³Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Lebbaeus, whose surname was Thaddaeus; ⁴Simon the Cananite, and Judas Iscariot, who also betrayed Him.

Mark 3:16-18¹⁶ Simon, to whom He gave the name Peter; ¹⁷James the son of Zebedee and John the brother of James, to whom He gave the name Boanerges, that is, “Sons of Thunder”; ¹⁸Andrew, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thomas, James the son of Alphaeus, Thaddaeus, Simon the Cananite;

Luke 6:14-16¹⁴ Simon, whom He also named Peter, and Andrew his brother; James and John; Philip and Bartholomew; ¹⁵Matthew and Thomas; James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon called the Zealot; ¹⁶Judas the son of James, and Judas Iscariot who also became a traitor.

Acts 1:13¹³ And when they had entered, they went up into the upper room where they were staying: Peter, James, John, and Andrew; Philip and Thomas; Bartholomew and Matthew; James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot; and Judas the son of James.

1. Always listed with in the first Four with Peter, James & John

* He & Peter’s family were partners w/James & John’s family

Luke 5:9-11⁹ For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish which they had taken; ¹⁰and so also were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men.” ¹¹So when they had brought their boats to land, they forsook all and followed Him.

Mark 1:29²⁹ Now as soon as they had come out of the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John.

2. He was Peter’s Brother & Often described as just that - “Peter’s brother.”

* Name appears 13 times. 6 of 13 times, referred to some form/fashion as “Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother!”

* Two of Four Lists – Matt 10:2, Luke 6:14

* Two accounts of Jesus calling them at the Sea of Galilee - They left all & followed Him

Matthew 4:18-22¹⁸ And Jesus, walking by the Sea of Galilee, saw two brothers, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. ¹⁹Then He said to them, “Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men.” ²⁰They immediately left their nets and followed Him. ²¹Going on from there, He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets. He called them, ²²and immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Him.

Mark 1:16-20¹⁶ And as He walked by the Sea of Galilee, He saw Simon and Andrew his brother casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. ¹⁷Then Jesus said to them, “Follow Me, and I will make you become fishers of men.” ¹⁸They immediately left their nets and followed Him. ¹⁹When He had gone a little farther from there, He saw James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, who also were in the boat mending their nets. ²⁰And immediately He called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants, and went after Him.

* What about that first encounter? **John 1:35-42**

* He was the one who “found Jesus FIRST, still gets 2nd billing!!!

* What about that whole? (Matthew 16:15-17) “But who do you say that I am?” ¹⁶Simon Peter answered and said, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” ¹⁷Jesus answered and said to him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven.

* Imagine Andrew’s surprise with all the hullabaloo over that statement?!?!?!?

* He’s like, “Hey, I said that like 2 Years ago, I’ve been robbed! I’M the ONE who told HIM that!!!

* He always played 2nd Fiddle, Always came in 2nd to his brother, Always lived in his brother’s shadow

* Isn’t interesting that nowhere in the Bible is it recorded he had a problem with it...Unlike Peter & John!!!

Application – Be cautious of the possibility of coveting others gifts/abilities/positions – Just follow Jesus!

3. May have been a “Fisherman” – But/Fisherman who sought after God!

John 1:35-42 ³⁵Again, the next day, John stood with two of his disciples. ³⁶And looking at Jesus as He walked, he said, “Behold the Lamb of God!” ³⁷The two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸Then Jesus turned, and seeing them following, said to them, “What do you seek?” They said to Him, “Rabbi” (which is to say, when translated, Teacher), “where are You staying?” ³⁹He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where He was staying, and remained with Him that day (now it was about the tenth hour). ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. ⁴¹He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated, the Christ). ⁴²And he brought him to Jesus. Now when Jesus looked at him, He said, “You are Simon the son of Jonah. You shall be called Cephas” (which is translated, A Stone).

* Why else would a fisherman be found out in the desert listening to a “Wildman” clothed in camel’s hair and ate bugs in honey?

* Not afraid of what the guys on the docks were going to say, when they went ...he went to Men’s retreat!

* He was a Manly Fisherman - Andrew = “Manly”;

Application - That’s why he followed Jesus! That made him a Manly Christian!

4. He was One of only Four to Hear Jesus’ Explanation Eschatology

Mark 13:1-4 ¹Then as He went out of the temple, one of His disciples said to Him, “Teacher, see what manner of stones and what buildings are here!” ²And Jesus answered and said to him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone shall be left upon another, that shall not be thrown down.” ³Now as He sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked Him privately, ⁴“Tell us, when will these things be? And what will be the sign when all these things will be fulfilled?”

Matthew 24:3 Now as He sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, “Tell us, when will these things be? And what will be the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?”

* Why was he one of only four to hear Jesus’ explanation of Eschatology?

* Because he was one of only four who took the time to meet with Him privately!

* He was one of only four who took the time to get away with Him privately, to ask, and to listen!!!

Application - Oh, what spiritual blessing are to be had simply by getting away privately with Him, and asking Him, and listening to Him!!!

5. Best known for– Bringing People to Jesus! (All recorded in the Gospel of John)

Back to that First Encounter!

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* He brought his brother to Jesus!!!

- We can do that!

Feeding of the 5,000

John 6:4-9 ⁴Now the Passover, a feast of the Jews, was near. ⁵Then Jesus lifted up His eyes, and seeing a great multitude coming toward Him, He said to Philip, “Where shall we buy bread, that these may eat?” ⁶But this He said to test him, for He Himself knew what He would do. ⁷Philip answered Him, “Two hundred denarii worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may have a little.” ⁸One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to Him, ⁹“There is a lad here who has five barley loaves and two small fish, but what are they among so many?”

* He brought the boy to Jesus - who had the bread, to feed the multitude
- We can do that!

Greeks/Gentiles

John 12:20-22 ²⁰Now there were certain Greeks among those who came up to worship at the feast. ²¹Then they came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida of Galilee, and asked him, saying, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” ²²Philip came and told Andrew, and in turn Andrew and Philip told Jesus.

* He brought the Gentiles, men, small group to Jesus!
* Philip evidently didn’t know what to do, or maybe he knew just what to do, bring them to Andrew – because he will bring them to Jesus
* Ever know anyone like that!
* Andrew truly became a fisher of men...not with a fleet of commercial fishing boat ministry, but one or two or three at a time!

Application - You can be like that. Just introduced them to Jesus!

* Maybe Not like Billy Graham or Franklin Graham or Greg Laurie, but one/two/three at a time!
* Power of a Personal Witness of the Person, Power and Purpose of Jesus, the Christ!

6. Lastly - What is notable about him, is what is not noted about him!

* He is not mentioned any other time in NT!

Application - I we are remembered for any one thing

* If our names are never mentioned for any other reason than one – Introducing people to Jesus
* Wouldn’t that be enough!

Conclusion

1. Don’t covet other people gifts, abilities, callings, positions – just follow Jesus!
2. Be a manly _____ or womanly _____ & follow Jesus!
3. Get some private time with Jesus ask Him some questions about His words & listen!
4. Introduce people to Jesus – One, two, three at a time! Great reputation to have!