

## *Valley Bible Church - Sermon Study Questions*

### **Study Aid for the Sermon from February 22, 2009 The Return of the Apostles**

#### **Observing the text**

Compare the list of the apostles in Acts 1:13 with the lists in Matthew 10:2-4, Mark 3:16-10 and Luke 6:13-16. What are the similarities between the lists and what are the differences?

What was the setting of the earliest meetings of Christ's followers after His ascension? Why do you suppose they met where they did?

What activities were these early Christians involved in and why was this so important?

Who were the additional people listed with the apostles? Where were they during the events surrounding the crucifixion of Christ?

#### **Applying the sermon**

What similarities do you see between our church and the early group of believers in Acts 1:12-14?

Compare your unity of mind and purpose with your fellow believers with what was seen in Acts 1:14. What contributed to their unity and how can this serve as an example to you?

Evaluate your devotion to prayer with your fellow believers. Do you ever meet with anyone for prayer? How can you improve in this area of the Christian life?

Consider the types of people who are listed in Acts 1:12-14. Compare them to the types of people at our church. How can you serve our church to bring such unity out of the diversity of our fellowship?

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