

"WAITING FOR THE FATHER'S PROMISE"

ACTS 1:12-26

I. THE DISCIPLES UNANIMOUSLY DEDICATED THEMSELVES TO PRAYER (1:14)

- A. Two Characteristics Of This Prayer (*"Continued.....One Accord"*)
 - 1. They Gave The Best Of Their Energy Toward This Direction
 - 2. They Did It Together As Virtually A Single Passion
- B. Evidently This Was The Initial, Major Priority At The Earliest Stage Of Church History

II. THE DISCIPLES DILIGENTLY STUDIED THE SCRIPTURES (1:16, 20)

- A. They Searched Whatever O.T. Scrolls They Had To Solidify In Their Minds The Certainty Of The Lord's Fulfillment Of Messianic Prophecy (1:20)
 - 1. Psalm 69
 - 2. Psalm 109:8
- B. Notice The Apostle's Excellent View Of Scripture & Particularly The Doctrine Of Inspiration (1:16)

III. THE DISCIPLES ENGAGED IN SPIRITUAL CONVERSATION

IV. THE DISCIPLES DID THEIR BEST TO ARRIVE AT A PROPER APPROACH IN DECISION MAKING (1:20-26)

- A. In Addition To Prayer & Bible Study, The Leadership (Peter) Brought The Matter Up For Discussion (1:21-23)
- B. Not Knowing The Will Of God On The Matter, They At Least, Desired To Have God Make The Final Decision (1:24)