ACTS <u>The Apostolic Circle</u> Acts 1:15-26

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"This section highlights the distinctive role and significance of the apostles as witnesses of the resurrection and guarantors of the traditions about Jesus' ministry." - David Peterson

- 1. In the actions of the apostles we see examples of what obedient _____ looks like.
 - a. Peter takes the lead as a man who publicly _______ to honor the Lord, but was then graciously restored by Him.
 - b. The apostles reinforce for us the ______ of Scripture as the Word of God written by holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit.
 - c. Through Judas, we are given a sober ______ of God's judgment against those who deny the Lord, especially when great gospel privilege has been given to them.

- 2. The apostles were given a ______ and vital role in the kingdom of Christ on behalf of His Church.
 - a. The twelve apostles were to be leaders of a "restored _____" which is an important part of the church of Christ that encompasses believers of all nations.
 - b. The Scriptures prophesied that since ______ turned aside from his office, another should take his place among the twelve.
 - c. The apostles were _____ witnesses of Christ's death, resurrection and ascension, and were to bear witness of this to others.

"The mission of the ______ is focused on the witness of Christ." - Eckhard Schnabel