Text for 12 Disciples - 1:

Peter

Chief of the twelve disciples and first bishop of Rome, he was considered "the Rock" by Jesus. Although denying Jesus three times after his arrest, he became a steadfast advocate and missionary for the cause of the Gospel, writing two books of the New Testament, traveling on several missionary journeys, and eventually being martyred by upside-down crucifixion.

James (the elder)

Known as "James the Great," one of the twelve disciples, son of Zebedee, and brother of John. He preached in Spain but died a martyr upon his return to Judea.

John

Known as "the Divine" or "the Evangelist," one of the twelve disciples, brother of James (the elder), and author of three epistles, the fourth Gospel, and the Book of Revelation.

Andrew

One of the twelve disciples, he was martyred at Patria.

Philip

One of the twelve disciples and present at the feeding of the 5,000.

Bartholomew

One of the twelve disciples, he visited Ethiopia and India, eventually being martyred in Armenia.

Matthew

Originally a tax collector, one of the twelve disciples and author of the first Gospel of the New Testament.

Thomas

One of the twelve disciples, he doubted Jesus' resurrection until he saw the nail wounds, coining the phrase "doubting Thomas."

