LIST OF APOSTLES IN THE BIBLE

1. Jesus Christ *(Hebrews 3:1)*

2. Simon Peter *(Matthew 10:2)*

3. Andrew *(Matthew 10:2)*

4. James, the son of Zebedee *(Matthew 10:2)*

5. John *(Matthew 10:2)*

6. Philip *(Matthew 10:3)*

7. Bartholomew *(Matthew 10:3)*

8. Thomas *(Matthew 10:3)*

9. Matthew *(Matthew 10:3)*

10. James, the son of Alphaeus *(Matthew 10:3)*

11. Thaddaeus *(Matthew 10:3)* or Judas, the son of James *(Luke 6:16)*

12. Simon the Zealot *(Matthew 10:4)*

13. Judas Iscariot *(Matthew 10:4)*

14. Matthias *(Acts 1:26)*

15. Paul *(Galatians 1:1)*

16. Barnabas *(1 Corinthians 9:5-6; Acts 14:4, 14)*

17. Andronicus *(Romans 16:7)*

18. Junia, a female apostle *(Romans 16:7)*

19. James, the Lord's brother *(Galatians 1:19)*

20. Silas (Silvanus) *(1 Thessalonians 1:1; 2:6)*

21. Timothy *(1 Thessalonians 1:1; 2:6)*

22. Epaphroditus (Philippians 2:25) – The word *apostolos* does not appear in most English translations, but it appears in Greek: Strong's word 652, *Apostolos.*

23. Apollos *(1 Corinthians 4:6-9* and *1 Corinthians 3:22)*

24. The first of two unnamed apostles (2 Corinthians 8:23) – Many English versions say "messenger," but in Greek, the word is *apostolos.*

There Were More Apostles Than Jesus, His 12 Disciples, and the Apostle Paul

The traditional view is that the apostles' ministry stopped after all 12 apostles and the Apostle Paul had died. In essence, the belief is that no one else was worthy of being called an apostle other than Jesus Christ, the 12 apostles of the Lamb (including Matthias, who replaced Judas), and the Apostle Paul. Tradition only adds 15 people to serve in this apostolic office.

However, the Bible mentions at least 10-12 other apostles. So, besides the 15 apostles that tradition cites, several others also flowed in the office of the apostle. This indicates that the office of the apostle was not too lofty or far-fetched for others to function in and serve.

These other apostles are known as post-ascension apostles. They came after Jesus had ascended back to the Father in Heaven. All apostles today are considered to be post-ascension apostles.

> ***8 Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. 9 (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? 10 He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.) 11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; 12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:*** (Ephesians 4:8-12).

Jesus possessed all five gifts, so He left the anointing of all these gifts to operate through people.