

1. They were obedient to Jesus’ command (v. 12)
 - A. They returned to Jerusalem
 - B. They waited for the promised Spirit
2. They were a united family (v. 13)
 - A. They were united by Jesus

“I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one; I in them and you in me. May they be brought to complete unity to let the world know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.” (John 17:22-23)

- B. They cared for each other

“All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they shared everything they had.” (Acts 4:32)

3. They prayed together (v. 14)
 - A. They prayed as a group

“Again, I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything you ask for, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven.” (Matthew 18:19)

“When this had dawned on him he went to the house of Mary the mother of John, also called Mark, where many people had gathered and were praying.” (Acts 12:12)

- C. They prayed with perseverance

“Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up.” (Luke 18:1)

4. They trusted in the word of God (v. 15-17)
 - A. They realized that scripture was fulfilled
5. They recognized the betrayal & death of Judas (v. 18-19)
 - A. They recognized Judas’ wickedness
 - B. They recognized Judas’ destiny
6. They sought to replace the lost disciple (v. 20)
7. They believed in the power of a witness (v. 21-22)
 - A. The new apostle must have been with them from the beginning
 - B. The new apostle must be a witness to the resurrection

8. They submitted to God's guidance (v. 23-26)

- A. They selected two candidates
- B. They prayed for God's guidance
- C. They received God's guidance
- D. They followed God's guidance