

Awaken to the Movement!

¹² Then the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the hill called the Mount of Olives, a Sabbath day's walk from the city.

13 When they arrived, they went upstairs to the room where they were staying. Those present were Peter, John, James and Andrew; Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew; James son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James.

¹⁴ They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

¹⁵ In those days Peter stood up among the believers (a group numbering about a hundred and twenty)

¹⁶ and said, "Brothers and sisters, the Scripture had to be fulfilled in which the Holy Spirit spoke long ago through David concerning Judas, who served as guide for those who arrested Jesus.

¹⁷ He was one of our number and shared in our ministry."

¹⁸ (With the payment he received for his wickedness, Judas bought a field; there he fell headlong, his body burst open and all his intestines spilled out.

¹⁹ Everyone in Jerusalem heard about this, so they called that field in their language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.)

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<sup>20</sup> "For," said Peter, "it is written in the Book of Psalms:
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"'May his place be deserted;
let there be no one to dwell in it,'
and,
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"'May another take his place of leadership.'

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beginning from John's baptism to the time when Jesus was taken up from us. For one of these must become a witness with us of his resurrection."

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²⁴ Then they prayed, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which of these two you have chosen ²⁵ to take over this apostolic ministry, which Judas left to go where he belongs."

²⁶ Then they cast lots, and the lot fell to Matthias; so he was added to the eleven apostles.

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- Examined what was needed.
- Trusted God to direct the results and make it right.

Can I Get a Witness?

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- Spend as much time with Jesus as possible.
- Join together (constantly in prayer)

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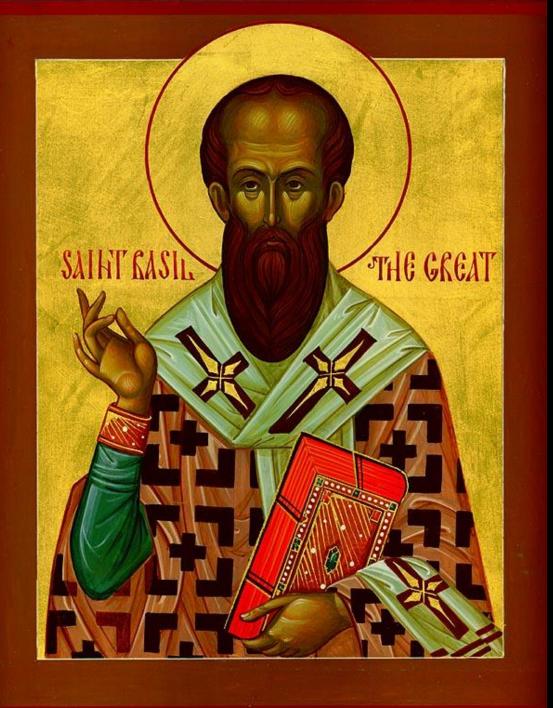
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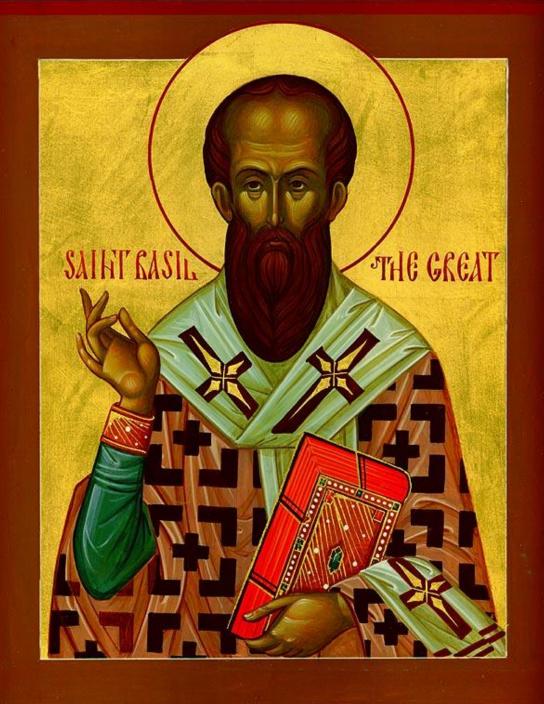
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- Join together (constantly in prayer)
- Face the world

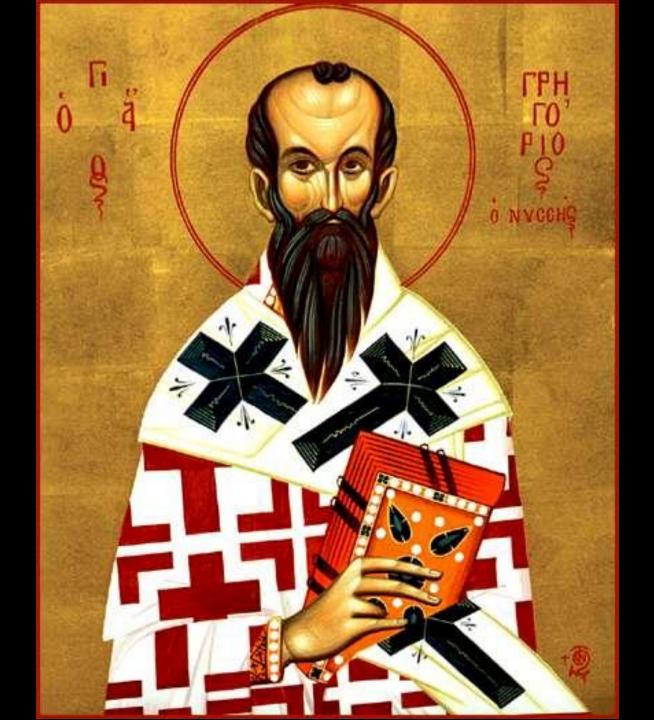
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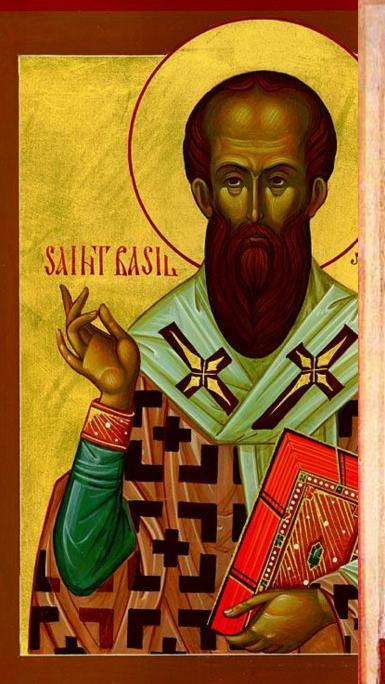
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- Spend as much time with Jesus as possible.
- Join together (constantly in prayer)
- Face the world
 - Take stock in what God has done.
 - •What is your "beginning from John's baptism to the time when Jesus was taken up from us?"

The Chosen

•"I was one way and now I am completely different, and the thing that happened in between was him."

- Spend as much time with Jesus as possible.
- Join together (constantly in prayer)
- Face the world
- Trust (have some splanchna)



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