



Martyrdom of the Apostles

The following information is taken from early church writings. These writings do not have the same authority as Scripture, but have been considered to be true by early church historians.

Apostle/Disciple	Manner of Death
Stephen	Stoned in Jerusalem
Matthew	Killed by sword in Ethiopia
Mark	Dragged by horses in streets of Alexandria, Egypt
Luke	Hanged in Greece
John	After miraculously surviving being thrown into a vat of boiling water, and exiled on the Isle of Patmos, he was released and died peacefully as an old man.
Peter	Crucified upside down on an X-shaped cross
James (half-brother of Jesus)	Clubbed to death after miraculously surviving the 100-foot fall after being thrown from the pinnacle of the temple.
James (son of Zebedee)	Killed by sword in Jerusalem. Tradition says that a Roman Officer, hearing his defense and testimony, became a believer and was killed with James.
Bartholomew	Flayed to death by whip in Armenia
Andrew	Beaten severely and crucified on an X-shaped cross in Greece.
Thomas	Stabbed with a spear in India
Jude (half-brother of Jesus)	Killed with arrows (another report says he was crucified)
Matthias	Stoned and beheaded in Jerusalem
Barnabas	Stoned to death
Paul	Beheaded by Nero in Rome