

Peter Remembers — Texts #1

John 3 ²⁹ He who has the bride is the bridegroom; but the bridegroom's friend (ὁ δὲ φίλος τοῦ νυμφίου), who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly because of the bridegroom's voice.

John 11 ¹¹ He said to them, "Our friend (ὁ φίλος ἡμῶν) Lazarus sleeps, but I go that I may wake him up."

John 15 ¹² This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you (ἀγαπάτε ἀλλήλους καθὼς ἠγάπησα ὑμᾶς). ¹³ Greater love (ἀγάπην) has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends (ὑπὲρ τῶν φίλων αὐτοῦ). ¹⁴ You are my friends (φίλοι μου) if you do whatever I command you. ¹⁵ No longer do I call you servants, for a servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends (ὑμᾶς δὲ εἴρηκα φίλους), for all things that I heard from my Father I have made known to you.

1 Corinthians 15 ⁶ After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep.

Acts 1 ¹³ And when they had entered, they went up into the upper room where they were staying: Peter, James, John, and Andrew; Philip and Thomas; Bartholomew and Matthew; James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot; and Judas Jamison. ¹⁴ These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers. ¹⁵ And in those days Peter stood up in the midst of the disciples (altogether the number of names was about a hundred and twenty) . . .

Acts 2 ⁴⁰ And with many other words [Peter] testified and exhorted them, saying, "Be saved from this perverse generation." ⁴¹ Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added.

Acts 4 ⁴ However, many of those who heard the word believed; and the number of the men (ὁ ἀριθμὸς τῶν ἀνδρῶν) came to be about five thousand.

Acts 6 ¹ Now in those days, when the disciples were increasing . . . ⁷ Then the word of God spread, and the number of the disciples increased greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

Luke 8 Now it came to pass, afterward, that [Jesus] went through every city and village, preaching and bringing the Gospel of the kingdom of God. And the twelve were with him, ² and certain women who had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities—Mary called Magdalene, out of whom had come seven demons, ³ and Joanna the wife of Chuza, Herod's steward, and Susanna, and many others (ἕτεροι πολλαί) who provided for them (*sic* B,D) from their resources.

Luke 23 ⁵⁵ And the women who had come with him from Galilee followed after, and they observed the tomb and how his body was laid. ⁵⁶ Then they returned and prepared spices and fragrant oils.

Acts 9 ³⁷ But it happened in those days that [Tabitha, Dorcas] became sick and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room. ³⁸ And since Lydda was near Joppa, and the disciples had heard that Peter was there, they sent two men to him, imploring him not to delay in coming to them. ³⁹ Then Peter arose and went with them. When he had come, they brought him to the upper room. And all the widows stood by him weeping, showing the tunics and garments which Dorcas had made while she was with them.

Justin Martyr, *First Apology* 66 — And this food is called among Εὐχαριστία, of which no one is allowed to partake but the man who believes that the things which we teach are true, and who has been washed with the washing that is for the remission of sins, and unto regeneration, and who is so living as Christ has enjoined. For not as common bread and common drink do we receive these; but in like manner as Jesus Christ our Savior, having been made flesh by the Word of God, had both flesh and blood for our salvation, so likewise have we been taught that the food which is blessed by the prayer of his word, and from which our blood and flesh by transmutation (κατὰ μεταβολήν) are nourished, is the flesh and blood of that Jesus who was made flesh. For the apostles, in the memoirs (ἀπομνημονεύμασιν) composed by them, which are called εὐαγγελία, have thus delivered unto us what was enjoined upon them; that Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks (εὐχαριστήσαντα), said, “This do in remembrance of me (εἰς τὴν ἀνάμνησίν μου), this is my body”; and that, after the same manner, having taken the cup and given thanks (εὐχαριστήσαντα), he said, “This is my blood,” and gave it to them alone.

Justin Martyr, *First Apology* 67— And on the day called Sunday (τῇ τοῦ ἡλίου λεγομένη ἡμέρᾳ), all who live in cities or in the country gather together to one place, and the memoirs of the apostles (τὰ ἀπομνημονεύματα) or the writings of the prophets are read, as long as time permits; then, when the reader has ceased, the one presiding (ὁ προεστώς) verbally instructs, and exhorts to the imitation of these good things. Then we all rise together and pray, and, as we before said, when our prayer is ended, bread and wine and water are brought, and the one presiding (ὁ προεστώς) in like manner offers prayers and thanksgivings (εὐχαριστίας), according to his ability, and the people assent, saying, “Amen,” and there is a distribution to each, and a participation of that over which thanksgiving has been made (εὐχαριστηθέντων), and to those who are absent a portion is sent by the deacons.