



COME AND SEE

LIZ LEMON SWINDLE

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The Son of Man Project™

Three nationally known artists have joined together to share their witness of Jesus Christ. Their efforts, now known as the *Son of Man Project*, combine the artwork of renowned Christian artist Liz Lemon Swindle, the music of acclaimed composer Kenneth Cope, and the writings of religious scholar Susan Easton-Black. The Son of Man project will include a four-volume book series, an original two-volume musical score, and over one hundred paintings and sketches celebrating the life of the Savior. Forty paintings are already available with a new image scheduled for release each quarter through the end of the project. The first three books, *Son of Man: The Early Years*, *Son of Man: Miracles of Jesus*, and *Son of Man: King of Kings* are in bookstores nationwide. The first album, *Son of Man: God with Us*, is set to release in the fall of 2009.



Liz Lemon Swindle

Liz Lemon Swindle began her painting career in first grade, her first exhibitions were on the refrigerator, encouraged by her father. In the early 1980s she tutored under renowned wildlife artist, Nancy Glazier. In 1992, Liz began painting a subject matter she had long desired to approach: her faith. Her paintings are held in corporate and private collections around the world and have been published in countless publications. Liz and her husband Jon have five children.



Kenneth Cope

Kenneth Cope grew up in Texas, where he attended the High School for the Performing Arts before leaving for Switzerland to serve a mission. He has released dozens of albums including his best-selling *Greater Than Us All* (1989). The Faith Centered Music Association (FCMA) has awarded Kenneth numerous PEARL Awards including Male Vocalist of the Year, Songwriter of the Year, and Album of the Year. Kenneth also an Indie nomination for Contemporary Christian Album of the Year from the Association for Independent Music. Kenneth and his wife Kathy have three daughters.



Susan Easton Black

Susan Easton Black began teaching in 1978. She is a professor of Church history and doctrine and a former associate dean in General Education and Honors at BYU. A recipient of the Karl G. Maeser Distinguished Lecturer Award, she is the author of numerous articles. Her bestselling books have sold hundreds of thousands of copies worldwide. Susan and her husband, Harvey are the parents of eight children.

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ANDREW

Andreas (Greek for “manly”)

HOMETOWN: Bethsaida (Galilee)

RELATIONS: Son of Jonah, brother of Peter (Matt 4:18)

PROFESSION: Fishing

DEATH: Unknown

LIFE SKETCH:

Andrew ran a prosperous fishing business with his brother Peter prior to his conversion. He was a follower of John the Baptist and one of the earliest disciples of Jesus Christ. He is mentioned in the Gospels in connection with the miraculous feeding of the five thousand and the ascension of the Resurrected Lord.



Dear Friend,

When I began this painting in April 2008, I paid little attention to the stock market or the world at large. Who could have imagined then that we would witness the implosion of the world's economic systems, the collapse of century-old institutions, and the loss of millions of people's life savings. It seemed everything we put our confidence in was taken away – literally overnight. Surely these are the times Jesus spoke of when He said, “Men's hearts [will] fail them.” – Luke 21:26.

Each day as bad news piled up, I found myself longing to be one of those disciples in the painting. To walk with Jesus and feel the peace and joy as they did. One particularly difficult day a thought came to me. I didn't need to go to the shores of Galilee to walk with the Savior and find His peace, none of us do. We can each feel it right here and right now, no matter how uncertain these times become. Did He not promise us?

“Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid... ye now therefore have sorrow: but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you.”
– John 14:27; 16:24

Sincerely,



MATTHEW

Matthew (Gift of God),
Levi, *Matthais* (Greek),
Mattithyah (Hebrew)

HOMETOWN: Galilee

RELATIONS: Son of *Alphaeus* (Mark 2:14); brother of James “the less”.

PROFESSION: Publican, tax collector, for Rome at Capernaum, probably in the service of Herod Antipas.

DEATH: Tradition asserts that Matthew died a martyr’s death.

LIFE SKETCH:

Possibly from priestly lineage. Despised by the Jews because of his profession, tax collectors were often wealthier than the common class. Of his later life, little is known except that he was an apostle of the Lord Jesus Christ and the writer of *The Gospel According to St. Matthew*. In his Gospel, Matthew refrains from mention of himself except in connection with his call and ordination to the apostleship. After the appearance of the Resurrected Lord, he preached in lands far from Palesine.



PHILLIP

Phillip (Greek for “lover of horses”)

HOMETOWN: Bethsaida (Galilee)

RELATIONS: Unknown

PROFESSION: Unknown

DEATH: Unknown

LIFE SKETCH:

Little is written about Phillip. He was invited by Jesus to “Follow me.” He is mentioned in the Gospel in connection with the miraculous feeding of the five thousand and the ascension of our Lord. He was reproved by Jesus for asking that he and others be shown the Father.



JUDAS

Iscariot, ish Kerioth
(from village of Kerioth
- Joshua 15:25)

- HOMETOWN:** Kerioth (Judea)
RELATIONS: Son of Simon
PROFESSION: Treasurer of the Quorum
DEATH: Suicide (hanged himself)

LIFE SKETCH:

Judas was a resident of Kerioth and the only apostle not from Galilee. He was the treasurer or agent for the apostles. He proved unprincipled and dishonest in the discharge of his duty. He betrayed his Master for thirty pieces of silver. Judas committed suicide by hanging himself.



NATHANAEL

Nathanael (God has Given)
Bartholomew, Johnathan,
Theodore, Dorothy,
Matthew (Gift of God)

- HOMETOWN:** Cana (Galilee)
RELATIONS: *Bar Tomai:* son of a man named Tomai
PROFESSION: Unknown
DEATH: Unknown

LIFE SKETCH:

Jesus identified Nathanael as “an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile” (John 1:47). Generally identified with Bartholomew. He is named in the New Testament as one who was fishing with Peter after the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Jesus said, “Behold an Israelite...in whom is no guile” (John 1:47).



JOHN

John (God is Gracious),
Yohanan (Hebrew),
“The Beloved”, “The Revelator”,
Boanerges (Sons of Thunder)

HOMETOWN: Galilee

RELATIONS: Son of Zebedee, brother of James
(Matthew 4:21)

PROFESSION: Fishing

DEATH: Unknown

LIFE SKETCH:

John was one of three apostles with Jesus at the raising of Jarius’s daughter, at the Transfiguration, and at Gethsemane. Jesus called John and his brother James, Boanerges, meaning sons of thunder. The name refers to the zeal each had for their apostolic calling. In *The Gospel According to St. John*, he refers to himself as “the disciple whom Jesus loved.” At the Last Supper, John leaned his head on the Master’s breast. At Calvary, he was given the charge to care for the Lord’s mother. He responded by taking Mary into his own house. John was the first to recognize the Risen Lord on the shores of Galilee. He was promised that he would minister among men until Christ came in His glory.



THOMAS

Thomas, (Twin), *Didymus*
(Greek)

HOMETOWN: Galilee

RELATIONS: Unknown

PROFESSION: Unknown

DEATH: Unknown

LIFE SKETCH:

Thomas is mentioned in the Gospels as a witness to the raising of Lazarus. Known as “Doubting Thomas” he was not present when the Resurrected Lord appeared to the assembled disciples and expressed doubt that they had seen the Lord. He declared that he would not believe their account unless he saw for himself. When the Lord visited the apostles again, Thomas recognized him and exclaimed, “My Lord and my God.” No further record appears in the New Testament of Thomas, except his being present after the ascension of Christ.



JAMES

Ya'akov, (Hebrew),
Boanerges (Sons of
Thunder)

- HOMETOWN:** Galilee
- RELATIONS:** Son of Zebedee, brother of John (Matthew 4:21)
- PROFESSION:** Fishing
- DEATH:** First martyred apostle, beheaded by Herod Agrippa (Acts 12)

LIFE SKETCH:

Before his conversion, James and his brother John had a prosperous fishing business. After their call to the apostleship, they were given the name Boanerges, meanings son of thunder. This has reference to their zeal for the apostleship, James even wanted to call down fire on the Samaritans. The brothers were gently rebuked for asking that one be on the right and the other on the left of Christ in His glory. James and John were privileged to be with our Lord at the raising of the daughter of Jarius, at the Transfiguration, and at Gethsemane. James was the first apostle to become a martyr. He was beheaded by order of Herod Agrippa.



JESUS CHRIST

Anointed, Creator, Jehovah, Lamb of God, Light of the World, Lord, Mediator, Messiah, Redeemer, The Resurrection, Savior, Son of God

- HOMETOWN:** Bethlehem
- RELATIONS:** Son of God
- PROFESSION:** Carpenter
- DEATH:** Crucifixion

LIFE SKETCH:

Jesus was the firstborn of the Father in the spirit and the Only Begotten of the Father in the flesh. He was foreordained in a Grand Council to be the Savior, the Redeemer of the World. He was born of Mary at Bethlehem, lived a sinless life, and died to save us all. To him be all glory and honor.



SIMON

Zelotes “the Zealot” (Luke 6:15), “the Canaanite” (Matt 10:4)

HOMETOWN: Galilee

RELATIONS: Unknown

PROFESSION: Unknown

DEATH: Unknown

LIFE SKETCH

Before his conversion, Simon was a member of a Jewish sect that jealously guarded Mosaic rituals and advocated violent overthrow of Roman rule. He is not mentioned in the New Testament apart from the other apostles.



PETER

Shimon bar Yonah, (Son of Jonah), *Cephas* (Aramaic), *Petros* (Greek for “rock”)

HOMETOWN: Bethsaida (Galilee)

RELATIONS: Son of Jonah, Brother of Andrew

PROFESSION: Owned a prosperous fishing business with Andrew

DEATH: Tradition suggests that Peter was martyred in Rome at the time of Nero. Tradition holds that Peter was crucified with his head downward.

LIFE SKETCH:

Before his conversion, Peter, known as Simon, resided in Bethsaida on the northern coast of the Sea of Galilee. He and his brother Andrew were partners in a prosperous fishing business. They owned boats and gave employment to the other men. At the time Peter was called to be a disciple of Jesus, he was living in Capernaum with his wife and his wife’s mother. Peter was the leader of the Twelve Apostles. Through his ministry, the Gospel was first preached to the Gentiles.



JAMES

“The Less” (to distinguish him from the other James)

HOMETOWN: Galilee

RELATIONS: Son of *Alphaeus* (Mark 2:14); brother of Matthew

PROFESSION: Fishing

DEATH: Unknown

LIFE SKETCH:

He is only mentioned in the Gospels in connection with his ordination to the apostleship.



JUDE

Yehuda (Hebrew), *Judah*, or *Judas* (Greek), *Lebbaeus*, *Thaddaeus*, “not Iscariot” (to distinguish him from the traitor Judas)

HOMETOWN: Galilee

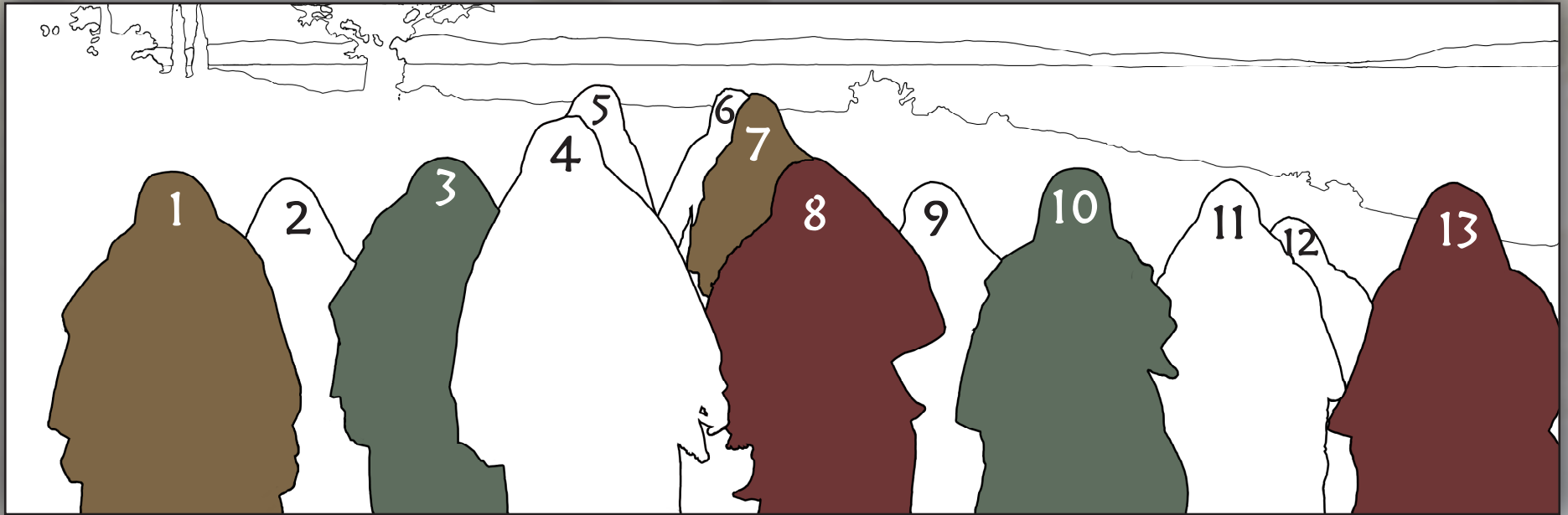
RELATIONS: Unknown

PROFESSION: Unknown

DEATH: Unknown

LIFE SKETCH:

Called *Lebbaeus Thaddaeus* by Matthew, *Thaddaeus* by Mark, and *Judas*, the Brother of James by Luke. The only reference to Judas is contained in the Gospel of John. Judas “not Iscariot” asked how or why Jesus would manifest Himself to His chosen servants and not to the world.



"AND HE ORDAINED TWELVE, THAT THEY SHOULD BE WITH HIM, AND THAT HE MIGHT SEND THEM FORTH TO PREACH."

-MARK 3:14

1. MATTHEW

2. NATHANIEL

3. JOHN

4. CHRIST

5. SIMON ZELOTES

6. JUDE

7. JAMES "THE LESS"

8. PETER

9. THOMAS

10. JAMES

11. JUDAS ISCARIOT

12. PHILLIP

13. ANDREW

