

Holy Week 2020 Devotions

Day 4: “The Betrayal”



**Mark 14:10, 43-49;
John 13:21-30, 18:1-11**

Jesus knew that his betrayer was at the meal. His actions give a prime example of how to administer grace in situations that are conflicting.

“It is he to whom I shall give a piece of bread when I have dipped it.”

- Do you believe that Judas receiving the bread from Jesus was the final sealing of his fate to betray the Lord? Why/Why not??

“Now His betrayer had given them a signal saying, ‘Whomever I kiss, He is the One; seize Him and lead Him away safely.’”

- What do you believe might be the implication of Judas identifying Jesus with a kiss?

““I am He. ... I am He. ... Whom are you seeking? ... I am He.” were the responses of Jesus to those who sought to capture Him.

- Jesus made no effort to expose his disciples to any type of harm from his captors.

Reflection and Prayer

The posture that Jesus took during the time of His arrest should speak to us of the level of our commitment and loyalty to Him regardless of the possibility of a negative outcome.

1. Have you discovered areas of compromise in your relationships with friends and family that would make you vulnerable to disassociation from Jesus for the sake of pleasing them?
2. Peter’s reaction to Jesus’ arrest is a warning to us not to respond to things according to our flesh.
3. Our resolve must be like Jesus; we must accept the outcome of betrayal that will accomplish the will of the Father in our lives.