

Throne

to Table

**Part 3 - The Open Table  
of The Lord**



# At the Table of The Lord...



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***Thou preparest a table before me in  
the presence of mine enemies.***

***- Psalm 23:5***

***But here at this table,  
sitting among us as a friend,  
is the man who will betray me.***

***- Luke 22:21 NLT***

# 1. Jesus is in Total Control



*I am not speaking of all of you;  
I know whom I have chosen.  
But the Scripture will be fulfilled,  
'He who ate my bread has lifted his  
heel against me.'*

*- John 13:18 ESV*

**24** *But Jesus didn't trust them, because he knew all about people.*

**25** *No one needed to tell him about human nature, for he knew what was in each person's heart.*

*- John 2:24-25 NLT*

# 2. Jesus Will Not Overlook Sin





**10** *Jesus said to him,  
“The one who has bathed does not  
need to wash, except for his feet,  
but is completely clean. And you are  
clean, but not every one of you.”...*

*- John 13:10-11 ESV*

*...**11** For he knew who was to betray him; that was why he said, "Not all of you are clean."*

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# A Prototype of Betrayal: Ahithophel

*Psalm 41:9; 2 Samuel 15:31; 16:23; 17:23*



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# 3. Faith Will Rise Out of Failure



**19** *I am telling you this now,  
before it takes place,  
that when it does take place  
you may believe that I am he...*

*- John 13:19-20 ESV*

**...20** *“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever receives the one I send receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me.”*

*- John 13:19-20 ESV*



***And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them.***

***- Romans 8:28 NLT***

# The Paradoxes of Betrayal



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# 4. We Are Challenged to Examine Ourselves



**21** *After saying these things, Jesus was troubled in his spirit, and testified, “Truly, truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me.”*

**22** *The disciples looked at one another, uncertain of whom he spoke...*

*- John 13:21-25 ESV*

*...**23** One of his disciples, whom Jesus loved, was reclining at table at Jesus' side, **24** so Simon Peter motioned to him to ask Jesus of whom he was speaking...*

*- John 13:21-25 ESV*



*...**25** So that disciple,  
leaning back against Jesus,  
said to him, “Lord, who is it?”*

*- John 13:21-25 ESV*

***Test yourselves to make sure you are solid in the faith. Don't drift along taking everything for granted. Give yourselves regular checkups...***

***- 2 Corinthians 13:5 MSG***

***...You need firsthand evidence,  
not mere hearsay, that Jesus Christ is  
in you. Test it out. If you fail the test,  
do something about it.***

***- 2 Corinthians 13:5 MSG***

# 5. Love Still Reaches Out



**21** *After saying these things, Jesus was troubled in his spirit, and testified, “Truly, truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me.”*

*- John 13:21 ESV*

**26** *Jesus answered, "It is he to whom I will give this morsel of bread when I have dipped it." So when he had dipped the morsel, he gave it to Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot...*

*- John 13:26-30 ESV*

*...**27** Then after he had taken the morsel, Satan entered into him. Jesus said to him, “What you are going to do, do quickly.” **28** Now no one at the table knew why he said this to him...*

*- John 13:26-30 ESV*

**...29** *Some thought that, because Judas had the moneybag, Jesus was telling him, “Buy what we need for the feast,” or that he should give something to the poor...*

*- John 13:26-30 ESV*



*...**30** So, after receiving the morsel of bread, he immediately went out. And it was night.*

*- John 13:26-30 ESV*

Judas

Jesus

John

Peter



***Once you were far away from God,  
but now you have been brought near to  
him through the blood of Christ.***

***- Ephesians 2:13 NLT***

***While we were God's enemies,  
he made us his friends through the  
death of his Son. Surely, now that we  
are his friends, he will save us through  
his Son's life.***

***- Romans 5:10 NCV***