

Lion Man

SERMON 10

TEXT: Mark 14

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Be sure to use the Mark reading guide as we study through this gospel.
 - Baptisms on Easter Sunday, April 1. Contact Dayton to learn more.
 - Invite others to join us for worship Easter Sunday.
 - Serve Rocky Mount coming up April 15-21. More info coming soon!
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LEADING OFF...

1. Can you think of an incident of betrayal in pop culture?
2. We've most likely all experienced some sort of personal betrayal. It hurts. We will see in these verses that we have all betrayed Jesus, yet He is always faithful. Why is this important for the Christian to understand?

BIG IDEA: Jesus is the God who was betrayed.

Read Mark 14:10-11

3. We see here the single worst act of betrayal ever. How was this horrific betrayal part of God's greater plan to offer pardon to all of us?
4. How can personal betrayal have a greater purpose? In other words, have you experienced betrayal, yet seen good come from it?

Read Mark 14:22-31

5. Why is the regular taking of the Lord's supper a helpful experience?
6. In verse 26, we are told Jesus and the disciples sang hymns. Why is it important to sing?
7. Peter was sure he would never deny Jesus. All the disciples were sure of this. Why is it helpful to know that Jesus is faithful and full of grace, even when we don't keep our promises to Him?

Read Mark 14:32-40

8. We see here that Jesus was completely overwhelmed, thus we see that Jesus relates to us in our weaknesses. How is this helpful to you?
9. Here in the garden, what is Jesus overwhelmed with?
10. Why would the dread and foretaste of this be so overwhelming?
11. Why couldn't the disciples stay awake and pray?
12. How are we like the disciples?

Read Mark 14:41-50

13. Jesus suddenly seems resolute in His march to the cross. Why?
14. Judas betrays Jesus with a warm greeting and a kiss. In Jesus' humanity, how do you think He received Judas and dealt with his betrayal? What must Jesus have been feeling to be betrayed by a friend?
15. How is the Bible a story of three gardens?
16. In verse 50, we see Jesus' friends betray Him. They all ran away. More betrayal. Why do you think they did this, when earlier that evening they promised (verse 31) emphatically to never deny Him?

Read Mark 14:62-72

17. Jesus is always faithful and consistent, even as He was beaten. Judas was confused, but purposeful in his betrayal. Peter is unfaithful and reactionary. How is this a picture of us? How are we also like Peter and Judas?

Wrapping Up...

18. We know that later Peter is restored, and Jesus gives him grace. How does that give you confidence and hope in your Christian life?