

Title:Christ The Divine: The Betrayer.

Scripture: John 13:18-30

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Bible Version: NKJV

BOTTOM LINE: You can have the best teacher and examples, but following Christ has to originate from your heart.

Vs. 18

Concerning all of you - Jesus emphasizes verse 10. He indicates that not all are clean.

I know whom I have chosen - Jesus knows us. The betrayer was not chosen at random but through knowledge of who they were.

That the Scripture may be fulfilled - This was not a surprise to Jesus. This occurred because the scripture were to be fulfilled.

[Psa 41:9 NKJV] Even my own familiar friend in whom I trusted, Who ate my bread, Has lifted up [his] heel against me.

The same foot that Jesus washed would be the same foot that would strike Him and betray Him.

Vs. 19

You may believe - Jesus shares this information so that we would believe.

Jesus didn't tell the disciples about this because He just found out, He told them so that they would be confident in Him.-Guzik

That I Am - This gospel of John was written so that we would believe.

Vs. 20

And he who receives Me receives Him who sent Me - Jesus was making a point that if you receive Him, you receive God; likewise if you reject Him you reject God.

Vs. 21

He was troubled in spirit - This shows us that Jesus carried emotions. In His humanity He experienced troubles.

Vs. 22

Looked at one another - Certainly the disciples would be confused.

Vs. 23-25

There was leaning on Jesus' bosom one - This was John, the author of this Gospel. He was glorifying Jesus.

Whom Jesus loved - John spoke of himself here.

The more I know me, the more amazed I am that Jesus loves me. - Courson

Vs. 26

I shall give a piece of bread when I have dipped it - Jesus indicated how He would identify His betrayer.

He gave it to Judas Iscariot - Jesus identifies the betrayer.

Jesus' love towards Judas never changed, even though He would betray Him.

Jesus' love for us is not based on what we do, but rather what He did.

Vs. 27

Satan entered him - We can note from John 13:2 that Satan had already put this idea into the heart of Judas. Now we see that some barrier was broken and Satan entered him.

"Satan could not have entered into him had he not granted him admission.

Had he been willing to say 'No' to the adversary, all of his Master's intercessory power was available to him there and then to strengthen him." (Bruce via Guzik)

"Two things, then, appealed to him at the moment: one, the conviction that he was discovered; the other, the wonderful assurance that he was still loved, for the gift of the morsel was a token of friendliness. He shut his heart against them both; and as he shut his heart against Christ he opened it to the devil." (Maclaren via Guzik)

Vs. 28

But no one at the table knew - Again, Jesus communicated to John and then to Judas

Vs. 29

For some thought-John records the speculation that the others had. Perhaps Judas left because of a financial affair.

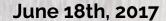
Vs. 30

He then went out immediately- Judas acted immediately once his heart had given in.

Observations about Judas:

- 1. He was with Jesus.
- 2. He saw the miracles.
- 3. The messiah washed his feet (humble act)
- 4. All the above was not enough.

Judas shows us that fallen man needs more than an example and even more than good teaching. Judas had the best example and the greatest Teacher, and was still lost.-Guzik





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Anytime you read God's word you have to put things into perspective. You also have to realize that the terms, not words, have meanings. As a group re-read the scriptures that was studied. Try a the Amplified Version and compare that to the NJKV, NIV, ESV, or NASB. Pick a few words and have a group member look that word up on <u>blueletterbible.com</u> or with their app.



DISCUSS.

- In your own words describe what you think this scene looked like.
- 2. What are your thoughts concerning the fact that even though Judas had been around Jesus for years, his heart was far from Him?
- 3. What are some practical points of application from this section of scripture for you?

DO.



- 1. What does this study reveal to you about God?
- 2. What does this study reveal to you about yourself?
- 3. Based on this, what changes do you need to make?
- 4. What is your prayer for today?

