

Luke 22 Pt 2

Face Like Flint

- Night before Jesus crucified w/12

Luke 22:20 "This cup is the new covenant in My blood, **which is shed for you.**

21 But behold, the **hand of My betrayer is with Me** on the table.

John 17:6 [Jesus prays to the Father] "I have manifested Your name to **the men whom You have given Me** out of the world. **They were Yours, You gave them to Me** c.f. Luke 6:12-16

The Father chose 12 men...then gave them to Jesus to make 12 Apostles

Luke 6:12 Now it came to pass in those days that He went out to the mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God. 13 And when it was day, He called His disciples to Himself; and from them **He chose twelve whom He also named apostles:** 14 [Peter], Andrew, James, John, Philip, Bartholomew; 15 Matthew, Thomas, James, Simon called the Zealot, 16 Judas the son of James, and **Judas Iscariot who also became a traitor.**

The Father chose Judas knowing Judas would betray Jesus...

22 And truly the Son of Man **goes as it has been determined,** but woe to that man **by whom He is betrayed!"**

- **Judas Iscariot**

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| 1. Foreknown by God | As a traitor as per God's Eternal plan, yet... |
| 2. Freely chose | To betray Jesus as per his own sinful desire |

God's foreknowledge mingles w/man's Free-Will
IOWs What had been determined by God...Judas willingly did

Q. Why did Judas betray Jesus?

A1. The love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. Greed allowed Satan an entrance into Judas heart. Greed is Idolatry. Idolatry is as the sin of witchcraft. Greed was the root which opened the door to envy of the righteousness of Jesus; i.e. the sin of Cain toward Abel. Envy and jealousy led to gossip with the ungodly religious leaders which further opened the door to betraying the Son of God.

A2. Because God said it would happen. [NJC]

- Judas Iscariot

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| 1. Peter called him | Son of Perdition | Damnation |
| 2. Jesus said of him | Better not born | |

But he was born and is now at the table w/Jesus
...Woe to that man by who betrays Me!

23 Then they **began to question among themselves,** which of them it was who would do this thing. 24 Now there was **also a dispute among them,** as to **which of them** should be considered the **greatest.**

Began with Questions...Questions Digressed into a Dispute
From Which one is the Worst of us to Which one is the Best of Us?

- **Context:** I am going to be betrayed leading to My death. Tomorrow.

12 now arguing over which of them should be considered the greatest...

25 And He said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and those who exercise authority over them are called 'benefactors.' 26 But not so among you; on the contrary, he who is greatest among you, let him be as the younger, and he who governs as he who serves. 27 For who is greater, he who sits at the table, or he who serves? Is it not he who sits at the table? **Yet I am among you as the One who serves.**

Greatness in God's economy is manifested and measured in terms of Humility

I am greater than all of you and I am serving you

John 13:1 Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour had come that He should depart from this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, **He loved them to the end.** ² And supper being ended, the devil having already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray Him, ³ Jesus, **knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come from God and was going to God,** ⁴ rose from supper and laid aside His garments, took a towel and girded Himself. ⁵ After that, He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe *them* with the towel with which He was girded. ⁶ Then He came to Simon Peter. And *Peter* said to Him, "Lord, are You washing my feet?" ⁷ Jesus answered and said to him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but you will know after this." ⁸ Peter said to Him, **"You shall never wash my feet!"** Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no part with Me." ⁹ Simon Peter said to Him, "Lord, not my feet only, but also *my hands and my head!*" ¹⁰ Jesus said to him, "He who is bathed needs only to wash *his* feet, but is completely clean; and you are clean, but not all of you." ¹¹ For He knew who would betray Him; therefore He said, "You are not all clean." ¹² So when He had washed their feet, taken His garments, and sat down again, He said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? ¹³ You call Me Teacher and Lord, and you say well, for so I am. ¹⁴ If I then, *your* Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, **you also ought to wash one another's feet.** ¹⁵ For I have given you an example, that **you should do as I have done** to you. ¹⁶ Most assuredly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master; nor is he who is sent greater than he who sent him. ¹⁷ If you know these things, blessed are you **if you do them.**

- **God's Economy is a tad different than the worlds...**

1. **Greatest?** One who willingly/joyfully serves others
2. **Happiest?** One who willingly/joyfully blesses others

I told you that I desire to spend my last night with you before I am crucified
You're acting like spoiled children?

28 "But you are those who have **continued with Me in My trials.**

- **Stayed through hard teaching:** Eat my Flesh/Drink My blood

John 6:66 From that time many of His disciples went back and walked with Him no more. 67 Then Jesus said to the twelve, "Do you also want to go away?" 68 But Simon Peter answered Him, "**Lord, to whom shall we go?** You have the words of eternal life. 69 Also we have come to believe and know that You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." 70 Jesus answered them, "Did I not choose you, the twelve, and **one of you is a devil?**" 71 He spoke of Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon, for it was he who would betray Him, being one of the twelve.

- Jesus commends past faithfulness...even doubting Thomas

John 11:16 [Jesus to go toward Jerusalem] Then Thomas, who is called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "**Let us also go, that we may die with Him.**"

You have continued with Me till now...But your most difficult trial is around the corner
You're arguing who is the greatest?

29 And **I bestow upon you a kingdom**, just as My Father bestowed one upon Me, 30 that you may **eat and drink at My table** in My kingdom, and **sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.**"

- **When I Return: I will give you a Kingdom within a Kingdom**
 1. **Apostles** Judging Israel in Millennium
 2. **Apostles** Eating/Drinking with the King
- **Q. Why a Commendation/Blessing** in midst of arguing who is the greatest
- **A.** Strategic Teaching Tactic: **IOWs driving home a point...**

If you guys believe in Me **start acting like** those who have an Eternal hope...
Be who God says you are...Those who will receive a kingdom

- The church will also receive great authority... does the world see us as petty?

1 Corinthians 6:1 Does any one of you, when he has a case against his neighbor, dare to go to law before the unrighteous and not before the saints? 2 Or do you not know that the saints will judge the world? If the world is judged by you, are you not competent to constitute the smallest law courts? 3 **Do you not know that we will judge angels?** How much more matters of this life? 4 So if you have law courts dealing with matters of this [earthly] life, do you appoint [earthly] judges who are of no account in the church? 5 I say this to your shame. Is it so, that there is not among you one wise man who will be able to decide between his brethren, 6 but brother goes to law with brother, and that before unbelievers? 7 Actually, then, it is already a defeat for you, that you have lawsuits with one another. **Why not rather be wronged?** Why not rather be defrauded?

The church should act like those who have an Eternal hope...
Those who will receive a kingdom

- **Stop** division Arguing, competing, gossiping, slandering, creating factions and
- **Start** Making peace, edifying, encouraging, walking in the Spirit

That is....if you have the Spirit?

Romans 8:9 But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, **if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you.** Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, **he is not His.**

And...If you have the Spirit, Yield to the Spirit and let Him have full reign in your life

1 Corinthians 3:3 ...you are still carnal. For where there are envy, strife, and divisions among you, are you not carnal and behaving **like mere men?**

The church needs to be who God renewed us to be...

Colossians 3:9 **Do not lie** to one another, since you have **put off the old man** with his deeds, 10 and have put on the **new man** who is **renewed in knowledge** according to the **image of Him who created him**

- **Don't lie to one another: Don't wear a mask.** Be real.

...Living as those those who have an Eternal hope
Exemplified in Humility/Joyful Service...Not Pride/Complaining/Competition

John 13:3 Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come from God and was going to God, 4 **rose from supper** and laid aside His garments, took a towel and girded Himself.

- Jesus knew where He came from/where He was going **...so he rose up/served**
- We know where we came from/where we are going **...so we rise up/serve**

Stop the Spiritual Completion. It is prideful and demonic
Not a good look for those God has saved and cleansed by His blood

IV. Sheep Scattered

31 And the Lord said, "Simon, Simon! Indeed, **Satan has asked for you,** that he may sift you as wheat. 32 **But I have prayed for you,** that your faith should not fail; and **when you have returned** to Me, strengthen your brethren."

Satan asked Me to let him sift you like wheat. I said...**Yes**
Take you to the Threshing Floor fling you in the air/See how things fall out

- **Test your Mettle:** Stuff of which a person is made. i.e. **who we really are**
 1. Faithful/Fickle
 2. Hero/Coward
 3. Strong/Weak
 4. Rock/Sand.

Talk is cheap and I will use Satan and see if you put your money where your mouth is.

[NJC]

As our Lord Jesus looked upon his eleven apostles, he felt that their time of greatest trial was fast approaching. Beyond anything they had ever endured before, they were now to be put into the devil's [sifter], and Satan would toss them to and fro, and seek, if possible, to destroy them. [Spurgeon]

I am allowing the devil to sift you for My purpose/Your good

- **I will pray when you are at the end of self Peter...**
 1. **You will** return to Me and write 2 books
 2. **You will** strengthen others
- Proof is in the pudding. Act don't talk

Romans 12:3 [Do] not to think of [yourself] **more highly than [you] ought to think,** but... think soberly...

- **Peter...** you will leave Me when it gets tough...

33 But [Peter] said to Him, "Lord, **I am ready to go with You, both to prison and to death.**" 34 Then [Jesus] said, "I tell you, Peter, the rooster shall not crow this day before you will **deny three times** that you know Me."

That is bravely spoken, Peter; and yet it is very foolishly said, too. He spoke out of his very heart, and he meant what he said; but Peter did not know what a poor weak [man] Peter really was. **His Master understood him far better.** [Spurgeon]

- **Satanic Access Point Revealed:** Peter's Pride
- **Strong Rebuke forced to be Given:** In front of friends/peers

Matthew 23:12 And whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.

James 4:6b... "God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble."

IOWs: Humble yourself now or be humiliated later
Peter will not be alone in his denial...

Luke 22: 31 [In context] "**All of you** will be made to stumble **because of Me this night,** for it is written: 'I will **strike the Shepherd,** And the sheep of the **flock will be scattered.**'

35 And [Jesus] said to them, "**When I sent you** without money bag, knapsack, and sandals, **did you lack anything?**" So they said, "**Nothing.**" 36 Then He said to them, "**But now,** he who has a money bag, let him take it, and likewise a knapsack; and he who has no sword, let him sell his garment and buy one.

- **About to leave the Passover Meal**
 1. You all will **fear men more than God, thus...**

2. God's Protection will be removed... **you'll be on your own**

Psalm 33:18...the eye of the Lord is on those who fear Him...

Psalm 34:7 The angel of the Lord encamps all around **those who fear Him/delivers them...**

- **First Trip Jesus sent them:** Took nothing/Lacked nothing. Spirit. What a time!

Mark 6:7 [Jesus] called the twelve to Himself, and began to send them out two by two, and gave them power over unclean spirits. 8 He commanded them to **take nothing** for the journey except a staff—no bag, no bread, no copper in their money belts— 9 but to wear sandals, and not to put on two tunics...**12** So they went out and preached that people should repent. 13 And they cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick, and healed them.

- **Why now** take Cash, Bed and Weapons? Jesus promoting NRA?

Because this time Jesus is not sending them...They are running away
Leaving Him/Going out on their own w/no protection from God

Where God guides God provides
Where God does not guide...You'll need to bring your own stuff/Fend for yourself

- **You will abandon Me...**

37 For I say to you that this which is written must still be accomplished in Me:
'And He **was numbered with the transgressors.**'...

- **Numbered w/Transgressors:** This is what is written about Me
 1. I will be **Falsely accused** ...as if I were a sinner
 2. I will be **Betrayed** ...as if I were a cruel to My followers
 3. I will be **Abandoned** ...as if I were a leper/Not the holy Son of God
 4. I will be **Crucified** ...as if I were a thief/murderer. Between them!
- Jesus was numbered with us sinners though He never sinned. E.g. Baptism/Cross
- **Understands our weakness:** IOWs Jesus literally walked in our shoes

Hebrews 4:15 For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in **all points tempted as we are, yet without sin.** 16 Let us therefore come **boldly to the throne of grace,** that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Jesus literally walked in our shoes...

- **Jesus experientially gets it...to be...**

1. Falsely Accused
2. Betrayed
3. Abandoned
4. Left to die seemingly by everyone, yet...

Hebrews 13:5b... He Himself has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." 6 So we may boldly say: **"The Lord is my helper; I will not fear. What can man do to me?"**

Jesus was numbered w/sinful mankind. That's us!
He lived in our place and died in our place...

37...For the things concerning Me have an end."

- **IOWs** Things prophesied will soon be fulfilled. You will leave Me/They will crucify Me

38 So they said, "Lord, look, here are two swords." And He said to them, "It is enough."

- Jesus is not saying that two swords are enough. He is sayin "**Enough of this talk!**"

With fervent desire I have desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer
...I will no longer eat of it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God

The boys still don't get it...They wont until Jesus rises from the dead

Talk is cheap. Pride/Spiritual Competition are destructive/Blind us from the Truth. I.e....

The greatest among us in the eyes of God is the one who serves others