### **Luke 22** Pt 1

Face Like Flint

## I. God's Sovereign Eternal Plan Redemption of Man

1 Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread drew near, which is called **Passover**.

Worshippers flooding into Jerusalem for the Passover Festival

Celebration of Death passing over those who applied the blood in Egypt

Commemorated by the Sacrifice of the **Passover Lamb** 

As the last lamb required per OT Law arrives in Jerusalem to be slain to **cover man's sin...** so the **Lamb of God is arriving to take away man's sin by His blood** 

### John 1:29 ... "Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!

God become Man who became a Lamb. Why?

# 1 John 3:8b...For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

Work of Satan

1. **Tempt us** To sin

2. **Condemn us** When we do

3. **Enslave us** No way out. Hopeless

Jesus came to destroy the work of Satan God willingly became Man to become a Lamb to die on a cross for the sins of men

**Hebrews 2:14** [Just as...] the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He [God] Himself likewise shared in the same [becoming flesh/blood], that through death He might **destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil**, 15 and **release** those who through fear of death were all their **lifetime subject to bondage**.

- Why did God become man?
  - 1. **Take away power of sin** Free us from temporal Bondage
  - 2. **Take the penalty of sin** Free from eternal Hell

Romans 8:2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death. 3 For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh...

# As they Sacrificed the Passover Lamb.... God was Sacrificing His Son for us

Plan the Salvation Unfolds: God's Sovereignty in View

Omnipotence
 Omnipresence
 Omniscience
 All-Powerful God All-Seeing God All-Knowing God

God utilizes these attributes to accomplish His ultimate purpose Redeem Man: Buy us back from Sin/Death

• **E.g.** God uses His enemies for His purpose....

2 And the **chief priests** and the scribes sought **how they might kill Him**, for they feared the people. 3 Then **Satan entered Judas**, surnamed Iscariot, who was numbered among the twelve. 4 So [Judas] went his way and conferred with the chief priests and captains, how he might betray Him to them. 5 And they were glad, and agreed to give him money. 6 So he promised and sought opportunity to betray Him to them in the absence of the multitude.

Three Players the Sovereign God is uses for His purpose...

Leaders Desire to kill Jesus

Satan Control over leaders/Judas

Judas Hatred for Jesus

### **Judas possessed by Satan himself**

Q. What happened? A. He opened the door

John 12:5 [Mary anoints Jesus feet but Judas doesn't like it...] "Why was this fragrant oil not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" 6 This he said, not that he cared for the poor, but because he was a thief, and had the money box; and he used to take what was put in it. 7 But Jesus said, "Let her alone; she has kept this for the day of My burial. 8 For the poor you have with you always, but Me you do not have always."

Greed opened the door...Gateway sin

**Mark 14:10** [Immediately after Judas humiliation] ...went to the chief priests **to betray Him to them.** 11 And when they heard it, they were glad, and promised to give him money. So **he sought how he might conveniently betray Him**.

Oh the suffering we can't imagine when we open the door to Satan w/our *little* sin. For Judas the mental/emotional/spiritual torment he experienced afterward led to suicide...Followed by hell. The remedy was in front of him but he chose to go his own way. Cruel Satan convinced Judas that he knew better than God, yet Satan would not have had the opportunity had Judas not answered the door. [NJC]

Proverbs 4:23 Keep your heart with all diligence, For out of it spring the issues of life. How?

**Philippians 4:7** [Give thanks] ....and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will **quard your hearts** and minds through Christ Jesus.

Every sin is a door

- 1. Drugs/Porn/Gossip
- 2. Laziness/Lying/Ungodly music/art
- 3. Inappropriate Entertainment
- 4. Here...Greed
- Judas Sought to conveniently betray Jesus
- Leaders Sought how they might kill Jesus

Satan thinks he's running the show. Things are going swimmingly Whose really running the show?

- Looks like Everything's falling apart when...
- In reality Everything's falling together...God is Sovereign

**IOWs** Satan/Minions are pawns God moves freely to accomplish His Purpose

**Romans 8:28** ...we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose. 29 For whom He **foreknew**, He also **predestined** to be conformed to the image of His Son...

- Believers are foreknown by God that they would believe
- Believers are predestined by God to be transformed [Sōzō]

God desires ALL to be saved.

**Adhere to limited atonement?** [Jesus blood was not sufficient to save the entire world though all will not be saved] You will be uncomfortable at best in this church. [NJC]

**1 Timothy 2:4 [God] ...desires all men to be saved** and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

**God's Sovereignty in OT:** Using all things for His purpose **Players:** David/God/Satan

**Synapsis:** 1000 BC. God is angry w/Israel. David is now a prideful King of Israel. God and Satan both move in David's life; Satan temping David to sin while God allows David to sin. **Result?** David/Israel are both judged **killing two birds with one stone...** 

2 Samuel 24:1 ...the anger of the Lord was aroused against Israel, and He moved David against them to say, "Go, number Israel and Judah."

**1 Chronicles 21:1** [At the same time] ...**Satan** stood up against Israel and **moved David** to number Israel.

Satan moved David tempting him to sin
 Because he hated Israel

God moved in David allowing him to sin
 Because David's Pride/Israel's Sin

Q. Who moved David to number his men God, Satan, or David? A. Yes David counts his military men/Given 3 choices of punishment

1. **7 Years** Famine in Israel

2. **3 Months** David fleeing from enemies

3. **3 Days** Plagues from God in/on Israel

**2 Samuel 24:14** ...David said to [the Prophet], "I am in great distress. Please **let us fall into the hand of the Lord, for His mercies are great**; but do not let me fall into the hand of man."

# David chooses 3 Days of God's Plagues on Israel Is everything falling apart?

2 Samuel 24:18-25 All in God's Sovereign Plan

1. **Plague** Ravaging Israel

2. **Prophet** Build an altar at Araunah's Threshing Floor [Judgement]

3. **David** Was offered the land for nothing...

**2 Samuel 24:25** [David buys it instead] And David built there an altar to the Lord, and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings. So the Lord heeded the prayers for the land, and the plague was withdrawn from Israel.

Israel, David, Satan, God, Prophet, Landowner, Man's Sin, Man's Free-Will All used within God's **Foreknown Plan** for His **Predetermined Purpose** 

God's Manifold Grace/Wisdom/Work: Israel is Judged/David is Judged

#### PLUS...

• **Temple** of God was built on this spot where the 3-day plague stopped

#### AND...1000 Years Later

Jesus was crucified on this spot where after 3-days He rose/Plague of sin/death lost

**Colossians 2:15 [Place where Jesus]...** disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, **triumphing over them in it.** 

- Hill of Calvary
  - 1. Place of Judgment/Redemption. David/Israel/Our sin on Cross
  - 2. Where Jesus destroyed work Satan those believe. Bondage/Penalty of sin

### IOWs As Man's Freewill intersects God's Predestination/Foreknowledge We Apprehend/Never fully Comprehend

Acts 2:23 [To leaders who killed Jesus...] by the determined purpose/foreknowledge of God, you have taken by lawless hands, have crucified, and put to [Jesus to] death...

- Predestination meets free-will: God Determined long ago/You Crucified this week
  - 1. Jesus **predestined** to be handed over to wicked men
  - 2. At the same time...They **freely chose** to crucify Him

Predestination or Free-Will with regard to Salvation?

Did we choose God or did God choose us? Yes.

It has been pictured in this way. Here is a vast host of people hurrying down the broad road with their minds fixed upon their sins, and one stands calling attention to a far door, the entrance into the narrow way that leads to life eternal. On it is plainly depicted the text, "Whosoever will, let him come." Every man is invited, no one need hesitate. Some may say, "Well, I may not be of the elect, and so it would be useless for me to endeavor to come, for the door will not open for me." But God's invitation is absolutely sincere; it is addressed to every man, "Whosoever will, let him take of the water of life freely" [Rev. 22: 17]. If men refuse to come, if they pursue their own godless way down to the pit, whom can they blame but themselves for their eternal judgment? The messenger addressed himself to all, the call came to all, the door could be entered by all, but many refused to come and perished in their sins. Such men can never blame God for their eternal destruction. The door was open, the invitation was given, they refused, and He says to them sorrowfully, "You will not come unto Me, that you might have life." ... [But some will say], "I am going inside: I will accept the invitation; I will enter that door," and he presses his way in and it shuts behind him. As he turns about he finds written on the inside of the door the words, "Chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world." H.A. Ironside

Is Calvary Chapel Calvinist [Predestination] or Arminian [Free-will]? We are neither five-point calvinists, nor are we arminians. We adhere firmly to the biblical teaching of God's sovereignty and man's responsibility. We avoid any theological systems of belief that go beyond the written Word and thereby divide the body of Christ.

**Jesus did come** to bring division between sheep/goats but **never between believers**. Arguing Freewill vs God's Sovereignty is **always a waste of time**, **always fruitless speculation** and **always ends in division**. Stop it...You're not that smart. [NJC]

Romans 11:33 Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out! 34 "For who has known the mind of the Lord? ...36 For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amen.

**Psalm 131:1** David. Lord, my heart is not haughty, Nor my eyes lofty. Neither do I concern myself with great matters, Nor with things **too profound for me**. 2 Surely I have **calmed** and **quieted my soul...** 

Chronology: Judas now possessed. Free-spirit who bought his own ticket

Experimented w/sin
 Continued in sin
 Embraced his sin
 Cooperated w/ sin
 Generating secondary income stream. Stealing.
 Godless conversation w/those who hate Jesus
 Accepted 30 pc. unrighteous mammon to betray
 Devise way to "capture" Jesus away from crowds

Psalms 1:1 Blessed is the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners. Nor sits in the seat of the scornful...

God's Sovereign Eternal Plan of Salvation
To destroy the work of the devil/Save us by the Cross

Revelation 13:8 [Jesus is]... the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

God even orchestrated the time. Passover

### II. Lord's Supper

7 Then came the Day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover must be killed. 8 And **He sent Peter and John**, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat." 9 So they said to Him, "Where do You want us to prepare?" 10 And He said to them, "Behold, when you have entered the city, a man **will meet you carrying a pitcher of water**; follow him into the house which he enters. 11 Then you shall say to the master of the house, 'The Teacher says to you, "Where is the guest room where I may eat the Passover with My disciples?" 12 Then he will show you a large, furnished upper room; there make ready."

Sovereignty of God in daily life: Place/Man/Water/House/Room/Day: Passover

13 So they went and found it just as He had said to them, and they prepared the Passover.

Jesus had no place to lay His head Yet everything belonged to Him...Sustained by Him...Prepared for Him

**Psalm 50:10** For **every beast of the forest is Mine**, And the cattle on a thousand hills.11 I know all the birds of the mountains, And the wild beasts of the field are Mine. 12 "If I were hungry, I would not tell you; For the world is Mine, and all its fullness.

14 When the **hour had come**, He sat down, and the twelve apostles with Him. 15 Then He said to them, "With **fervent desire** I have desired to **eat this Passover** with you before I suffer

### Jesus time had come...Cross is Tomorrow

• **Fervent Desire:** gr. *ep-ee-thoo-mee'-ah* craving, longing, [also translated *lust*] rt. to turn upon a thing.

**IOWs** There is no stronger word for Jesus desire to sit down and eat with His friends His hour has come. He has walked in our shoes. He will die in our place and rise again

I desire is to eat with you my friends before I suffer...

16 for I say to you, I will no longer eat of it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." 17 Then [Jesus] **took the cup**, and gave thanks, and said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; 18 for I say to you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes."

Mark 14:23 Then He took the cup, and when He had given thanks He gave it to them, and they all drank from it. 24 And He said to them, "This is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many.

We will eat/drink together... Never ever to say goodbye again but...

See you in the morning

• **NOTE:** No marriage in heaven does not mean no intimacy in Heaven

• **Genesis to Revelation:** God's Fervent desire to be with us

We will Celebrate again in the Kingdom and that forever! Rapture is the Consummation of Jesus and the Bride of Christ

19 And He took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is My body which is given for you; **do this in remembrance of Me."** 20 Likewise He also took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the **new covenant in My blood**, which is shed for you.

Continual Remembrance: New Covenant of Grace

Broken Bread
 Red Cup
 Broken Body
 Completely Saved/Whole sōzō
 Completely Forgiven/Cleansed

Remember Me when I'm Gone and Rejoice! When I come for you...I promise we will never be apart again