Message -Based Questions

Easter Shadows: Bargaining with God – Judas

Matthew 26:6-16; Matthew 27:1-5

- Have you ever made a "foxhole bargain" with God?
 What was your dilemma? What did you want God to do?
 What did you promise, and how did it work out?
- 2. What things might Judas have placed above his loyalty to Jesus, leading to Judas' decision to betray Jesus? Do you think that Judas' bad priorities may have been rooted in valid, relatable concerns?"
- 3. How did Judas bargain with the Sanhedrin? How did that bargain work out?
- 4. Where in the passages in Matthew do you see a contrast between manipulation/bargaining vs devotion/trust/surrender?
- 5. "Wherever this gospel is preached throughout the world, what she has done will also be told, in memory of her" (Matthew 26:13). What would you like to have told in memory of you?
- 6. Is there an area of your life in which you are attempting to bargain with God at this time?

What fears make it hard for you trust and abide in Him? What steps will you take to surrender the issue to Him?