

Sermon Notes
March 15, 2020 – Matthew 26:6-25
Deeper 1: The Flaws in My Character (Judas)

2. A heart-healing hope for _____
3. And a life-giving hope for the _____
around me

C. Imagine

1. What it would be like if our entire church would go
totally deep with God
2. Imagine the transformation in our souls
3. Imagine the faith, hope & love we could share with our
hurting, anxious neighbors

Conclusion: Discover Your Character Flaws

- A. Ask someone who loves you & knows you well
- B. Own them & bring them to Jesus
- C. It is important to admit our character flaws to Jesus,
because those cracks in our character are where his light
shines through
- D. Application: What do I think my character flaws are? Who
could help me figure out what they are?

Summary: All of us have character flaws but we don't like to admit it. Those flaws are often hidden from us and we prefer to keep it that way. But going deep with Jesus and admitting our character flaws to ourselves and to him is important, because going deeper with Jesus enables more of his light to shine through us.

Big Idea: Jesus has more grace for us than we could ever imagine.

Intro: When you were a child & everything was new

I. **The Unprecedented Events of the Past Week**

- A. Shutdowns & lineups
 1. We are living in a Kairos _____ in human
history
- B. This is a time for Jesus-followers to _____ (Mt.
5:14-16)
 1. Jesus has given us a _____ that we can
share with the world around us in these anxious times
 - a. We know that Jesus is holding us
 - b. We know that death is not the end of life
 - c. We know that Jesus is with us
- C. How do we shine in the midst of dark & scary times?
 1. We are human, _____ & mortal like
everyone else

2. The answer is Jesus
 - a. Jesus lives in us (Col. 1:27)
 - b. Triangle Life Shape – up, in & out
 - i. As we grow in our “up” relationship with _____
 - ii. We are better able to reflect God’s _____ into our “in” and “out” relationships
3. We tend to _____ going deeper with God
 - a. Going deep with God is the safest & best place
 - b. The world needs us to go deep with God

II. Judas

A. The Flaw in Judas’ character

1. Mary’s extravagant gift (John 12:1-8)
 - a. Judas’ character flaw was _____
 - b. The _____ of our character flaws
2. Judas’ Response (Mt. 26:14-16)
3. Character flaws
 - a. Take us to places we would not normally go
 - b. Lead us to do things that we would not normally do
 - c. Resulting in consequences that we _____
4. Judas’ remorse (Mt. 27:1-5)

B. The Grace That Jesus Showed to Judas

1. The Seating Arrangements at a Feast
2. The Biblical account

- a. Peter & John arrange the Meal (Luke 22:7-8)
- b. Jesus washes his disciples’ feet (John 13:1-11)
- c. Jesus & Judas’ conversation (John 13:21-30)
3. The seating arrangements at the Last Supper
 - a. _____ was the Guest of Honor
 - b. Peter & John were the Stewards of the Feast
 - c. The person in the position of Jesus’ most trusted friend was _____
4. Jesus was constantly offering _____ to Judas
 - a. In choosing him as one of his disciples
 - b. In letting him be the treasurer for the group
 - c. In putting him in the position of his most trusted friend

III. Going Deep with Jesus

A. The deeper we go with Jesus

1. The deeper the level of soul-healing we experience
2. The more _____ from Jesus’ love fills our life
3. And we have
 - a. More self-acceptance and peace
 - b. More joy and love
 - c. More compassion and mercy

B. Jesus Christ living in me

1. Is the hope of glory