

Christ Died for the Ungodly

Romans 5:6-8

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Luke 22:1-6 [Legacy Standard Bible]

¹Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread, which is called the Passover, was drawing near.

²And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking how they might put Him to death; for they were afraid of the people.

³And Satan entered into Judas who was called Iscariot, who belonged to the number of the twelve.

⁴And he went away and discussed with the chief priests and officers how he might betray Him to them.

⁵And they were glad and agreed to give him money.

⁶So he consented, and began seeking a good opportunity to betray Him to them apart from the crowd.

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John 6:66-71 (Legacy Standard Bible)

⁶⁶As a result of this many of His disciples went away and were not walking with Him anymore.

⁶⁷So Jesus said to the twelve, "Do you also want to go?"

⁶⁸Simon Peter answered Him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have words of eternal life.

⁶⁹"And we have believed and have come to know that You are the Holy One of God."

⁷⁰Jesus answered them, "Did I Myself not choose you, the twelve, and yet one of you is a devil?"

⁷¹Now He was speaking of Judas the son of Simon Iscariot, for he, one of the twelve, was going to betray Him.

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Matthew 10:1,7-8 (Legacy Standard Bible)

¹And summoning His twelve disciples, Jesus gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every kind of disease and every kind of sickness.

⁷“And as you go, preach, saying, ‘The kingdom of heaven is at hand.’

⁸“Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. Freely you received, freely give.

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John 12:4-6 (Legacy Standard Bible)

⁴But Judas Iscariot, one of His disciples, who was going to betray Him, said,

⁵“Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?”

⁶Now he said this, not because he was concerned about the poor, but because he was a thief, and as he had the money box, he used to take from what was put into it.

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John 13:10-11 (Legacy Standard Bible)

¹⁰Jesus said to him, "He who has bathed needs only to wash his feet, but is completely clean; and you are clean, but not all of you."

¹¹For He knew the one who was betraying Him; for this reason He said, "Not all of you are clean."

John 13:18 (Legacy Standard Bible)

¹⁸“I do not speak about all of you. I know the ones I have chosen; but that the Scripture may be fulfilled, ‘HE WHO EATS MY BREAD HAS LIFTED UP HIS HEEL AGAINST ME.’

John 13:21 (Legacy Standard Bible)

²¹When Jesus had said these things, He became troubled in spirit, and bore witness and said, "Truly, truly, I say to you, that one of you will betray Me."

John 13:22-25 (Legacy Standard Bible)

²²The disciples began looking at one another, perplexed about whom He spoke.

²³There was reclining on Jesus' bosom one of His disciples, whom Jesus loved.

²⁴So Simon Peter gestured to him to inquire, "Who is the one of whom He is speaking?"

²⁵He, leaning back thus on Jesus' bosom, said to Him, "Lord, who is it?"

John 13:26-30 (Legacy Standard Bible)

²⁶Jesus answered, "He is the one for whom I shall dip the piece of bread and give it to him." So when He had dipped the piece of bread, He took and gave it to Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot.

²⁷And after the piece of bread, Satan then entered into him. Therefore Jesus said to him, "What you do, do quickly."

²⁸Now no one of those reclining at the table knew for what purpose He had said this to him.

²⁹For some were thinking, because Judas had the money box, that Jesus was saying to him, "Buy the things we have need of for the feast"; or else, that he should give something to the poor.

³⁰So after receiving the piece of bread, he went out immediately. And it was night.

John 6:64 (Legacy Standard Bible)

⁶⁴“But there are some of you who do not believe.” For Jesus knew from the beginning who they were who did not believe, and who it was that would betray Him.

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Sorrow and Remorse on Good Friday

Luke 22:61–62 (LSB)

⁶¹And the Lord turned and looked at Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how He had told him, “Before a rooster crows today, you will deny Me three times.”

⁶²And he went out and cried bitterly.

Matthew 27:3–5 (LSB)

³Then when Judas, who had betrayed Him, saw that He had been condemned, he felt remorse and returned the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, ⁴saying, “I have sinned by betraying innocent blood.” But they said, “What is that to us? See to that yourself!”

⁵And he threw the pieces of silver into the sanctuary and departed; and he went away and hanged himself.

Good Friday

Isaiah 53:4–6 (LSB)

⁴Surely our griefs He Himself bore, And our sorrows He carried; Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, Smitten of God, and afflicted.

⁵But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; The chastening for our peace fell upon Him, And by His wounds we are healed.

⁶All of us like sheep have gone astray, Each of us has turned to his own way; But Yahweh has caused the iniquity of us all To fall on Him.