

Jesus

Could You Betray Him?

John 13:21-30

After saying these things, Jesus was troubled in his spirit, and testified, “Truly, truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me.” The disciples looked at one another, uncertain of whom he spoke. One of his disciples, whom Jesus loved, was reclining at table at Jesus' side, so Simon Peter motioned to him to ask Jesus of whom he was speaking.

So that disciple, leaning back against Jesus, said to him, “Lord, who is it?” Jesus answered, “It is he to whom I will give this morsel of bread when I have dipped it.” So when he had dipped the morsel, he gave it to Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot. Then after he had taken the morsel, Satan entered into him. Jesus said to him, “What you are going to do, do quickly.”

Now no one at the table knew why he said this to him. Some thought that, because Judas had the moneybag, Jesus was telling him, “Buy what we need for the feast,” or that he should give something to the poor. So, after

receiving the morsel of bread, he immediately went out.
And it was night.

In the last days some will depart from the faith.
1 Tim. 4:1

1. Judas was a companion of Jesus

... But the Scripture will be fulfilled, He who ate My bread
has lifted his heel against Me.
Jn. 13:18

Why does your Teacher eat with tax-collectors and
sinners? Matt. 9:10-11

Fulfillment of Prophecy
Even my close friend in whom
I trusted, who ate my bread, has lifted his heel against
me.
Ps. 41:9

David was betrayed by his son – Absalom and his own
counselor Ahithophel
2 Sam. 15:12

Jesus was troubled in His spirit and testified, (13:21)

Truly, truly, I say to you, one of you will betray Me.
Now the disciples are “troubled”
Matt:26:22 – and they were very sorrowful.

Did I not choose you, the twelve? And yet one of you
is a Devil? Jn. 6:70

He spoke of Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot for he, one
of the 12 was going to betray Him. (71)

2. Judas received compassion and love from Jesus

One of His disciples, whom Jesus loved, was reclining at
table close to Jesus, so Simon Peter motioned to him to
ask Jesus of whom he was speaking. Jn. 13:23

So that disciple, leaning back against Jesus, said to him,
“Lord, who is it? (25)

Jesus answered, “It is he to whom I will give this morsel
of bread when I have dipped it.” (26)

So when He had dipped the morsel, He gave it to Judas,
the son of Simon Iscariot.

3. Judas was clearly known by Jesus

Then after he had taken the morsel, Satan entered into him. (27)

. Jesus said to him, “What you are going to do, do quickly . (27)

Satan entered Judas

He who is often reprov'd, yet stiffens his neck, will suddenly be broken beyond healing. Prov. 29:1

The devil had put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray Him.

Jn. 13:2

Now no one at the table knew why He said this to Him (28)

... each one asked, “Is it I?”

Matt. 26:22

Some thought that, because Judas had the money bag, Jesus was telling him, “Buy what we need for the feast, or that he should give something to the poor.” (29)

So, after receiving the morsel of bread, he immediately went out. It was night. (30)

Jesus knew Judas

The Lord knows those who are His. 2 Tim. 22:19

Jesus needed no one to bear witness about man, for He Himself knew what was in man.

Jn. 2:25

Not everyone who says to me; Lord, Lord will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father Matt. 7:21

For 3 ½ yrs – Jesus knew the heart of Judas

Lessons learned

1. If one of the twelve could betray Him, it is possible we too could turn away from Him?

2. Satan is the enemy of Jesus and wants to turn people away from Him.

Your adversary, the Devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. 1 Pet. 5:8

For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood... but against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.
Eph. 6:12

3. The love of money is the root of all evil.

... he was a thief and having charge of the moneybag he used to help himself to what was put into it. Jn. 12:6

For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils.
1 Tim. 6:10

4. If Jesus continued to love Judas, knowing his heart and plan, we must believe that his love for sinners is real.

The Lord... is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.
2 Pet. 3:9