

- A. In the beginning, God created light, and divided the light from the darkness. This was both a real historic event, and a symbolic act.
- B. We will note several “deeds of darkness” in connection with the suffering and death of our Savior.

Deeds of Darkness (1) Judas’ Departure to Betray Jesus

- I. Exposed As A Traitor.
  - A. Judas left to betray Jesus, after Jesus had exposed him as a traitor.
  - B. This exposure of Judas as a traitor teaches us -
    - 1. That Judas was, and we by nature are, children of darkness who can do nothing but deeds of darkness.
    - 2. About God’s hardening work in the hearts of the reprobate in the sphere of the covenant.
- II. Dismissed By Our Mediator.
  - A. Judas’ departure was his response to the dismissing command of Christ.
  - B. By this we are taught fundamental truths which confirm us in our faith.
    - 1. Jehovah is sovereign, and Christ is in control.
    - 2. As our Mediator, Christ will lay down His life, showing He loved us to the end.
    - 3. The light rules over the darkness, and dispels the darkness.
- III. Entering the Night of Sin.
  - A. “He then . . . went immediately out”: the Spirit fills our hearts with holy horror!
  - B. This word of God is to us -
    - 1. A warning.
    - 2. A reason to praise Him for His grace to us in Christ.