

# Lessons From the Life of Judas Iscariot

Matthew 26:14-16



# JUDAS ISCARIOT

- **Matthew 26:14-16** - 14 Then one of the twelve, whose name was Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests 15 and said, “What will you give me if I deliver him over to you?” And they paid him thirty pieces of silver. 16 And from that moment he sought an opportunity to betray him.

# JUDAS – AN APOSTLE

- He was listed among the twelve.
- **Matthew 10:4, Mark 3:19, and Luke 6:16** all list him among the twelve apostles.
- **Matthew 26:14, 27, Mark 14:10, 43, Luke 22:47** say he was one of the twelve.
- Jesus specifically chose Judas to be one of the apostles.

# JUDAS SAT AT JESUS FEET AND LEARNED HIS TEACHING

- **He was taught the gospel and heard about the kingdom of God**
- **Luke 8:1** - Soon afterward he went on through cities and villages, proclaiming and bringing the good news of the kingdom of God. And the twelve were with him...
- **He heard the meaning of the parable of the sower**
- **Mark 4:10** - 10 And when he was alone, those around him with the twelve asked him about the parables.

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- **He was taught that the last shall be first**
- **Mark 9:35** - 35 And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all."
- **He was foretold about Jesus betrayal and death**
- **Mark 10:32-34** - 32 And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, 33 saying, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. 34 And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise."

# JUDAS WAS SENT OUT TO PREACH TO THE LOST SHEEP OF ISRAEL

- **He was given power over unclean spirits.**
- **Matthew 10:1** - And he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every affliction.
- **He preached the gospel to Israel.**
- **Matthew 10:5-7** - 5 These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, "Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans, 6 but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. 7 And proclaim as you go, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.'

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- **He was among those sent out two by two.**
- **Mark 6:7** - 7 And he called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits.

# WHERE DO I STAND?

- Remember the Warning of Paul
- **1 Corinthians 10:12** - 12 Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall.



# JUDAS A BETRAYER AND TRAITOR

- **Matthew 10:4** - 4 Simon the Zealot, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.
- **Luke 6:16 -16** ...and Judas the son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.

# JUDAS WAS MOTIVATED BY GREED

- **John 12:6** - 6 He said this, not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief, and having charge of the moneybag he used to help himself to what was put into it.

# JESUS WARNED AGAINST GREED AND COVETOUSNESS

- **Luke 12:15** - 15 And he said to them, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions."

# JESUS PREDICTED HIS BETRAYAL BY JUDAS

- **John 6:70-71** - 70 Jesus answered them, "Did I not choose you, the twelve? And yet one of you is a devil." 71 He spoke of Judas the son of Simon Iscariot, for he, one of the twelve, was going to betray him.
- **Matthew 26:21** - 21 And as they were eating, he said, "Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me."

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- **Matthew 26:25** - 25 Judas, who would betray him, answered, "Is it I, Rabbi?" He said to him, "You have said so."
- **John 13:26-27** - 26 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. 27 Then after he had taken the morsel, Satan entered into him. Jesus said to him, "What you are going to do, do quickly."

# JUDAS ALLOWED SATAN TO ENTER HIS HEART

- **John 13:2** - . 2 During supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him...
- **Luke 22:3** - 3 Then Satan entered into Judas called Iscariot, who was of the number of the twelve.

# JUDAS LEADS THE GUARDS TO GETHSEMANE

- **John 18:2-3** - 2 Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, for Jesus often met there with his disciples. 3 So Judas, having procured a band of soldiers and some officers from the chief priests and the Pharisees, went there with lanterns and torches and weapons.

# JUDAS BETRAYS JESUS WITH A KISS

- **Matthew 26:48-49** - 48 Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; seize him." 49 And he came up to Jesus at once and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" And he kissed him.



# JUDAS – A REGRETFUL MAN

- **Matthew 27:3-4(a)** - 3 Then when Judas, his betrayer, saw that Jesus was condemned, he changed his mind and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders, 4 saying, "I have sinned by betraying innocent blood."

## PRIESTS RESPONSE TO JUDAS ATTEMPTING TO RETURN THE MONEY

- **Matthew 27:4(b)** - They said, "What is that to us? See to it yourself."

# JUDAS HAD REGRET BUT NOT GODLY GRIEF

- **2 Corinthians 7:10** - 10 For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation without regret, whereas worldly grief produces death.