

## The Betrayal of Jesus

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### Introduction

1. John 18:1-12
2. The time of the year when we are thinking of the death, burial, and resurrection, yet there are other events that need to be considered:
  - a. Jesus taking Peter, James, and John to the garden for that prayer. Matthew 26:36
  - b. During this time Jesus is sweating as it were great drops of blood. Luke 22:44 and it was cold that night. John 18:18
3. Now it is the time of the betrayal of Jesus this is the subject of our lesson today
4. As we consider the betrayal put yourself there, where would you be?
5. Consider with me three groups that are involved in this event; Judas, the Mob and the actions of Peter.

### II Discussion

#### A. Judas

1. Nothing is known about him before he became an apostle. Matthew 10:2-4
2. He was associated with these other good men
3. He is called a disciple. Luke 6:13
4. He could do miracles. Matthew 10:5-8
5. He was a covetous. John 12:4-6
6. He was announced as the betrayer. Matthew 26:21-23
7. He knew where to find Jesus. John 18:2
8. He called Him Master, yet rejected him. Mark 14:45
9. He allowed Satan to enter his heart. Luke 22:3
10. He kissed our Savior. Mark 14:45; Romans 16:16

#### B. The mob

1. This was a lynch posse. John 18:3
2. They came with lanterns and torches. Did they expect to have to go and find Him? For Him to run away? He is the light of the world!
3. They came with swords. Did they expect Him to resist? Yet He is the Lamb of God!
4. The mob was the captain of the temple; chief priest and elders and servants (Malchus). Luke 22:52. Yet He is the prince of Peace!
5. Notice what happens to them when they come seeking Him. John 18:6

#### C. Peter's reaction

1. Remember some things about Peter:
  - a. At the foot washing John 13:6,8,9
  - b. He promised to die for Him. John 13:36-37
2. He is carrying a sword. Luke 22:50-53
3. Jesus has already told him he must die, John 18:11 Without the shedding of blood is no salvation. Hebrews 2:9
4. Jesus was not to die by the sword. Matthew 26:52-54
5. Peter is again rebuked, Matthew 26:52-54

6. Malchus's ear is healed, this has no bearing on anyone in the group! John 18:10 Luke 22:50-51

### III Conclusion

1. I wonder if we were alive then where would we be?
2. Judas, the mob or Peter
3. Why not be like Jesus, and do what the Father wants?

Sources: Show us the Father: WT Hamilton; The Gospel of John Garfield Heights lectureship 1984