

“That the Scripture May Be Fulfilled”

Intro: The passage before us is quite somber for in it our Master identified which of His disciples would betray Him. It is startling to think that one of the Lord’s own disciples would _____ Him. Indeed, it is a solemn thought that should serve us by arresting our attention and causing us to _____ the condition of _____ own before Christ Jesus the Lord.

I. In _____ His _____ to learn that one of them was going to betray Him, Jesus said, “I do not speak of all of you.”

A. _____ who would betray Him because He chose the twelve knowing full well that one of them (Judas) was a devil (cf. Jo. 6:70-71) and would betray Him. _____ what is in a man’s heart (Jo. 2:24; 5:42; 6:64; Acts 1:24; Heb. 4:13) and so did He choose each one of the twelve to serve the eternal purposes of God. _____ the ones He had chosen unto apostleship and the one _____ would betray Him.

B. Jesus _____ chose Judas to follow Him as a disciple that the _____ would be _____. While there are many O.T. Scriptures which foretell of Judas’s betrayal, the verse that the Lord quoted here is Ps 41:9, “Even my close friend, in whom I trusted, Who ate my bread, Has lifted up his heel against me.”

II. In the _____ of His disciples, Jesus explained that from that point forward He was going to tell them what was going to happen before it came to pass.

A. The purpose for which Jesus _____ the disciples of future events is so that when those things occurred that they would believe that He is the “_____!”

B. Jesus _____ His disciples of their high _____ and future _____, expressing that He would send them out as His apostles by saying whoever received them received Him, and whoever received Him received the Heavenly Father.

III. The Lord became _____ in spirit as He spoke of one of the disciples _____ Him.

A. With a troubled spirit, and though the _____ was _____, the time had come for Him to tell the eleven of the one who would betray Him. Therefore He “testified, and said, ‘Truly, truly, I say to you, that _____ of you _____ Me.’”

B. The _____ took the Lord’s statement seriously and being _____ at the thought that one of them would betray Him, they began looking at one another.

1. Some of the _____ began to _____ of the Lord desiring to know who the betrayer was.

2. _____ by saying that the one who would betray Him was the one for whom He would dip a morsel of food and give it to. Jesus then dipped the morsel and gave it to _____.

C. After Judas received the morsel, _____ him.

1. With Satan entered into Judas, the die was cast.

_____ crossed the line, and as MacArthur put it, “Divine mercy gave way to divine judgment and Judas was in essence _____ to Satan (cf. 1 Cor. 5:5; 1 Tim. 1:20). He had spurned Christ’s love for the last time, and his eternal doom was sealed.”

D. Knowing His hour had come, the _____ Judas to get on with his betrayal, to _____ that which he had determined to do. The time had come, the hour in which Christ was to be crucified was near, and the Lord would not resist the cross but would work in cooperation with the Father to bring His suffering about. Truly church, our Lord _____ down _____ – for you and me!

E. Even though all this played out before the _____, still they did _____ that Judas was going out to betray the Lord.

F. John noted that “_____.”

1. This is a chilling statement for not only does it recount the testimony of an eye witness, but it speaks of the _____ of Judas and that of the nation. Judas was an amplification of the nation as a whole for Jesus was the stone that the builders rejected (Matt. 21:42 etc.); and, He was rejected by this generation (Luke 17:25).

Closing: Let us clearly understand what happened here: _____ freely Himself and for thirty pieces of silver _____ himself!

A. By the _____ let us ask of ourselves these questions: _____ do I follow Jesus? _____ follow Him only in service to my earthly desires, or because He is the Christ? _____ follow Him for hope of monetary gain, or for hope of position and prominence? Or _____ follow Him because He is the Son of God, God very God!?

B. Judas sold out! And many before him and many after him have done just the same! As one poet wrote, “Still as of old Men by themselves are priced – For thirty pieces _____, not Christ.” For what _____ our soul?

C. In love we say: Don’t be a Judas who in the end gave back the thirty pieces of silver and went out and hung himself. But _____ Jesus Christ with all your heart, soul, mind and strength! _____, then all your other needs will be added unto you.

While Judas fulfilled this Scripture: “He who eats My bread has lifted up his heel against Me” (Ps. 41:9); let it be said of you that you fulfilled this Scripture: “But as many as _____ Him, to them He gave the right to _____ children of God, even to those who believe in His name, who were born not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but _____” (John 1:12-13).

Hear the Word of the Lord: Rev 2:10-11, “... _____ until death, and I will give you the crown of life. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. He who overcomes shall not be hurt by the second death.”