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The Ongoing Betrayal
Luke 22:47-53

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1. Sense _____ (vv.47-48)

Luke 22:47 While he was still speaking, there came a crowd, and the man called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He drew near to Jesus to kiss him, **48** but Jesus said to him, "Judas, would you betray the Son of Man with a kiss?"

49 And when those who were around him saw what would follow, they said, "Lord, shall we strike with the sword?"

50 And one of them struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his right ear. **51** But

Jesus said, "No more of this!" And he touched his ear and healed him.

52 Then Jesus said to the chief priests and officers of the temple and elders, who had come out against him, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs?

53 When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness."

(ESV)

2. Fight _____ (vv.49-51)

3. Understand _____ (vv.52-53)

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **John 6:70-71** and **Matthew 7:15**. What are some of your reactions when you read of someone who appears to be so aligned with Christ becoming his betrayer?
2. Read **1 Corinthians 10:11-13** and **2 Corinthians 13:5**. How would you describe the proper role of personal introspection and spiritual evaluation? How could this be taken too far in the Christian life?
3. Read **Matthew 13:20-23**. What are some of the specific manifestations of the problems Christ mentions in v.21 and v.22?
4. Read **Hebrews 2:1** and **2 Corinthians 10:3-5**. How will you seek to battle for fidelity to Christ and his word in your life?

This Week's Bible Reading Schedule

September 23rd
Song 6-8 & Gal.1
September 24th
Is. 1-3 & Gal.2
September 25th
Is. 4-6 & Gal.3
September 26th
Is. 7-9 & Gal.4
September 27th
Is. 10-12 & Gal.5
September 28th
Is. 13-15 & Gal.6
September 29th
Is. 16-18 & Eph.1
September 30th
Is. 19-21 & Eph.2

This Week's Compass 20/20 Discussion Question

- Read **Luke 22:3-6** and **John 12:4-6**. Judas clearly put his love of money above his call to ministry. How could a form of that mindset among us hinder or even derail the opportunities that lie before us in our Compass 20/20 endeavor?

The following related sermons are also available for downloading or streaming on the Focal Point Website (FocalPointMinistries.org).

Msg. 13-30 – ***Apostasy & Stumbling Saints***
Msg. 14-42 – ***A New Year of Faithfulness in a World of Apostasy***
Msg. 07-03 – ***Motivated by the Fear of Being Phony***
Msg. 14-21 – ***The Chronic Noise of Worldliness***
Msg. 13-30 – ***Apostasy & Stumbling Saints***
Msg. 18-14 – ***Christ's Kingdom Forecast: The Turbulent Intermission***
Msg. 06-21 – 06-24 – ***Almost a Christian*** (a four-part series on unconverted churchgoers)

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Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

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Pache, Rene. ***The Inspiration and Authority of Scripture***. Moody Press, 1969.
Packer, J. I. ***A Quest for Godliness***. Crossway Books, 1994.
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Reed, Gerard. ***C. S. Lewis Explores Vice and Virtue***. Beacon Hill Press, 2001.
Saucy, Robert. ***Scripture: Its Power, Authority, and Relevance***. Word Publishing, 2001.
Stonestreet, John and Brett Kunkle. ***A Practical Guide to Culture: Helping the Next Generation***. David C. Cook, 2017.
Watson, Thomas. ***The Doctrine of Repentance***. Reprint. Banner of Truth, 1987.
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