

Chapter 11 Judas, the Value of a Dollar

Snapshot Summary

This chapter looks at the life of Judas Iscariot, the apostle who betrayed Jesus.

Discussion Questions

1. What insights did you receive from this chapter?
2. What is known about the background of Judas?
3. What position did Judas have in the group? What were his duties?
4. What does the name Judas mean? What does his name tell us?
5. What factors may have caused Judas to betray Jesus?
6. Do you feel some sympathy for Judas? Why or why not?
7. Why do you think Judas kissed Jesus with such intensity when he betrayed him?
8. What was Judas's strength? Judas's weakness?
9. What did Judas do after betraying Jesus? What should he have done instead? Why didn't he?
10. What does Judas remind us about ourselves?

Activities As a group:

Discuss whether or not Judas was essential to the divine plan. Was he a divine catalyst? Was he helpless to resist evil?

At home:

Reflect on your own strengths and weaknesses.

Prayer: Dear God, thank you for the lessons we learn from your apostles. Thank you for giving us the opportunity and the insight to reflect on our own behavior as Christians, both our faults and our strengths. Help us to remember your love, and that you are with us always. Amen.

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