

Questions to Consider—With the Master in the Upper Room—Lesson 3—John 13:18-30—Judas, the Betrayer

- 1) Read John 13:18-30, Matthew 26:20-25, Mark 14:17-21, and Luke 22:21-23. (a) Which of these accounts identify the betrayer? (b) What differences and what similarities do you notice between these passages? (c) From the John passage, write down the things you notice that characterize hypocrisy.
  
- 2) Memorize John 13:21.
  
- 3) Read Matthew 26:14-25; 47-50 and 27:1-10. (a) How did Jesus reveal that it was Judas who would betray Him? (b) What was Judas' reaction when he heard that Jesus had been condemned?
  
- 4) Read John 12:1-8. (a) How did Mary demonstrate her love for Christ? (b) What objection did Judas raise? (c) What was his motive? (d) What do you learn about Judas?
  
- 5) What do you learn about Jesus, Judas, Peter, John and the other disciples from John 13:18-30?
  
- 6) The quote from John 13:18 comes from Psalm 41:9, which is a reference to David's friend, Ahithophel. Read 2 Samuel 16 and 17 and write a summary paragraph of what was going on and why David would say this regarding his friend. (Feel free to use outside helps, if needed.)
  
- 7) (a) Do you know someone who lives a life of hypocrisy? (No names please.) (b) Will you lovingly warn them today of the danger they are in? (Matthew 23:27, 28; Mark 14:21 and Acts 1:25 give sobering reminder of the danger they are in.) (c) What are some ways we as believers can lovingly warn those we know are living a double life?
  
- 8) (a) How would you define hypocrisy? (b) What are some ways that God's children manifest hypocrisy? (c) Is there any hypocrisy in your life, dear friend? I beg you to root it out this day as it could be a matter of life or death!
  
- 9) As you consider question 8c, write down a prayer request for your own life regarding any area of hypocrisy.