

# THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

JESUS CHRIST THE SON OF MAN

## LUKE CHAPTER 22:1-6

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### **“SUDDEN ACTS OF BETRAYAL”**

*THE HUMANITY AND DIVINITY OF JESUS CHRIST,  
THE SON OF GOD, SON OF MAN, SAVIOR OF ALL MANKIND*

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Luke Chapter 22 Brings Us Within Hours  
of the Greatest Crime that's Ever Been Committed.

## The Death of Jesus Christ

### **Acts 2:23**

Jesus Christ, being delivered by the determined purpose and foreknowledge of God,  
*you have taken by your lawless hands, have crucified,  
and put to death... The Killing of Jesus Christ*

**Noah Webster's 1828 Dictionary Defines - Deicide *lat.***  
*the act of putting to death the Lord Jesus Christ.*

This Title

### **“SUDDEN ACTS OF BETRAYAL”**

is actually a sarcasm meaning, there are no sudden acts of betrayal

### **Luke 22:1-6**

Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread drew near, which is called Passover. :2 And the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might kill Him, for they feared the people.

:3 Then Satan entered Judas, surnamed Iscariot, who was numbered among the twelve. :4 So he went his way and conferred with the chief priests and captains, how he might betray Him to them. :5 And they were glad, and agreed to give him money. :6 So he promised and sought opportunity to betray Him to them in the absence of the multitude.

# “SUDDEN ACTS OF BETRAYAL”

WHAT MAKES YOU A TRUE BELIEVER!

## 1.) God's Eternal Word At Work

v.1-2

### 1a.) Salvation - It's always been God's idea v.1-2

Now the **Feast of Unleavened Bread** drew near, which is called **Passover**.

In actuality, the **Feast of Unleavened Bread**, and **Passover**

Take place together as one single celebration but it is more than just a day. It is a weeklong celebration that begins with The Day of Passover Which Begins the Feast of Unleavened Bread.

## This was His appointment that must be kept

Jesus was the lamb of God that was to be taking away the sins of the world.

### Genesis 22:8

#### Prophecy Being Lived Out

And Abraham said, "My son, God will provide for Himself **the lamb**

### Leviticus 23:5

On the fourteenth *day* of the first month at twilight *is* the LORD'S Passover.

### Exodus 12:5-7

**Your lamb** shall be without blemish and without spot, a male of the first year. You may take *it* from the sheep or from the goats. :6 Now you shall keep it until **the fourteenth day** of the same month. Then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall **kill it at twilight (afternoon)**. :7 And they shall take *some* of the blood and put *it* on the two doorposts and on the lintel of the houses where they eat it.

### John 1:29

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold! **The Lamb** of God who takes away the sin of the world!

### 1 Corinthians 5:7b

For indeed **Christ**, our **Passover**, was **sacrificed** for us.

### 1 Peter 1:18-19

knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, *like* silver or gold, from your aimless conduct *received* by tradition from your fathers, :19 but with the precious blood of **Christ**, as of a **lamb** without blemish and without spot.

# Why

## Daniel 9:26

“...The Messiah shall be (**karath, kaw-rath**) cut off but not for Himself.,

The Passover is about to be Fulfilled by Jesus Christ with His crucifixion & death which took place on the 14th /15<sup>th</sup> Day of Nisan, 32 A.D.

The Feast of Unleavened Bread will then be Fulfilled by Jesus Christ's the 15th Day of Nisan, 32 A.D.

According to the Roman historian, Flavius Josephus, Rome had ordered Cestius the Governor of Judea to take an inventory of the lambs to be used in the Jewish Passover celebration so he could determine how many people would be in attendance in Jerusalem. Governor Cestius found that 256,500 lambs were to be sacrificed. According to the mosaic law, each lamb was to appoint for a minimum of 10 worshippers. This would bring the number to 2 million, seven hundred thousand people at least.

## GOD'S ETERNAL WORD AT WORK

### 1b.) Salvation - It's always been offensive to man v.2

And the **chief priests** and the **scribes sought** how they might **kill** Him, for they feared the people.

The issue wasn't **if** they were going to kill him, it was **how** and **when**.

**It was the plan of evil men to murder Jesus Christ, and moving right alongside the human plan was.... the plan of God to become our sacrifice.**

### 1 Corinthians 1:18

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing,

### Romans 5:6

For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

### Romans 5:8

But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

**1 Corinthians 15:3**

For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures,

**Galatians 2:16**

knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified.

**GOD'S ETERNAL WORD AT WORK**

**1c.) Salvation - It's always been a divisive issue v.2**

And the **chief priests** and the **scribes** sought how they might **kill** Him, for they feared the people.

**The “How” Here is Pretty Amazing.**

**They had hopes of making Jesus' death look like an accident**

**Salvation is a Divisive Issue**

Divisive Enough to Kill Over - *but why?*

**What if, you're more valuable than you think you are?**

*what if, instead of your life having no meaning or purpose - the reality is that it has infinite meaning and purpose?*

**What if the human race is in the middle of the ultimate battle**

*- a cosmic struggle between the powers of light and darkness. And that love and hate is what drives that struggle - what if?*

**The Value of One**

**John 3:16**

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that **whoever** believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

(a global truth, but it must be **personally** applied)

**Matthew 10:32**

“Therefore **whoever** confesses Me before men, **him** I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven.

(a global truth, but it must be **personally** applied)

**Romans 10:9-10**

if **you** confess with **your** mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in **your** heart that God has raised Him from the dead, **you** will be saved. :10 For with the heart **one** believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confessions made unto salvation.

(a global truth, but it must be **personally** applied)

## **SUDDEN ACTS OF BETRAYAL**

*WHAT MAKES YOU A TRUE BELIEVER!*

### **2.) Satan’s Infernal Plan Afoot**

**v.3-5**

#### **2a.) Satan has a plan to use you also**

**v.3**

Then Satan **entered** Judas, surnamed Iscariot, who was numbered **among the twelve**.

if you can’t beat them, join them.

**entered**

Satan needs **accomplices** to get his will done.

We Need to Understand;

That Satan can only **suggest** or **pitch** to us his **temptation**,  
We’re the ones that must choose to take the bait or not.

**Satan Found an Opportunity with Judas.**

Judas had **“opened himself up”** for Satan’s involvement.

Judas had been **setting himself up** to fall for a long time.

**1 Peter 5:8-9**

Be **sober**, be **vigilant**; because **your adversary** the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. :9 **Resist** him, **steadfast** in the faith...

**Ephesians 6:16**

above all, taking **the shield of faith** with which, you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of **the wicked one**.

**Faith Makes Satan Sick - Faith Causes Him to Run Away**

Satan and his demons have great success using Christians against Christians.

**Galatians 5:14-15**

For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." :15 But if you bite and devour one another, beware lest you be consumed by one another!

## **SATAN'S INFERNAL PLAN AFOOT**

### **2b.) Satan has a plan to oppose God by killing you v.4**

So he (*which one, Satan or judas?*) went his way and **conferred** with the **chief priests** and **captains**, **how** he might **betray** Jesus to them.

**John 10:10**

The thief (Satan) does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy.

There is a **human/devil** factor to betrayal.  
**Betrayal Leads to Discussion About HOW to Betray**

Your Demise, Your Failure, Your Defeat, Your End is Satan's Goal.

### **Satan is Out There Trying to Get You and I to Betray**

He plays the **Discouragement** card on you / He'll use the **Pride** card on you / He'll use the **Spiritual** card on you / He'll use the **Doubt** card on you.

**Remember, Satan Tempted Jesus Christ / He'll Tempt You Also...**

## **SATAN'S INFERNAL PLAN AFOOT**

### **2c.) Satan has a plan to do what it takes v.5**

And they were **glad**, and **agreed** to give him **money**.

**In my mind I see the priests glad and happy on this side**  
and on the other side I see Satan and his demons glad and happy.

**??? money???**

what would cause a man who saw the dead raised, the storms calmed, the hungry fed, to turn on the most wonderful person he had ever known?

**According to the Bible, Judas is in hell today**, he's been there for 2,000 years and he's going to be there for another 100 trillion years... as he sits in his cell and overlooks hell, I wonder what are his thoughts?

Why did I do it? Why didn't I listen? Why didn't I trust him?

## **It Takes Temptation**

### **James 1:13-15**

Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am **tempted** by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone. **:14** But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. **:15** Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.

### **1 Corinthians 10:13**

No **temptation** has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God *is* faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear *it*.

## **The Issue is "Our Yielded-Ness"**

Satan says, *"hey – tell you what, you abandon this Jesus Christ idea and I will take care of you."*

*In fact, turn him over to me, and I will take care of your problems*

*Go ahead, even though the bible says not to,  
you can do it and I'll even take care of it for you.*

*Don't worry about it, God will forgive you – he's gracious.*

*Come on do it - why did God make pot  
if he didn't want you to smoke it?*

### Genesis 3:1-4

Now the serpent (with Satan was inside) was more cunning than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, “**Has God said, ‘You shall not eat of every tree of the garden?’**” :2 And the woman said to the serpent, “**We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden; :3 but of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God has said, ‘You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die.’**” :4 Then the serpent said to the woman, “**You will not surely die.**”

## SUDDEN ACTS OF BETRAYAL

*WHAT MAKES YOU A TRUE BELIEVER!*

**3.) Man’s Ultimate Revelation Will Come**

**v.6**

**3a.) All of us are making pledges**

**v.6**

So he **promised** and **sought opportunity**

**promised**

*eixomologe+w exomologeó, ex-om-ol-og-eh´-o  
to agree with or to ascend to. to pledge your commitment.*

**Judas is Pledging His Allegiance to Another Plan**

To whom or what are you pledging your allegiance to Today?

**Judas’ “promise” was fueled by his desires.**

**sought**

*zeteo, dzay-teh´-o  
searching for, watching for, to be hunting for.*

**opportunity**

*eujkairi+a eukairia, yoo-kahee-ree´-ah  
at the right moment, at the right occasion to reject or betray.*

Notice with me the “**premeditation**” of his actions.

Look at the “characteristics” of his person.

**Isaiah 28:15**

**For you have said, “We have made a covenant with death,  
And with Hell, we are in agreement.”**

So he **promised** and **sought opportunity**  
to **betray** Him to them in the absence of the multitude.

## This is called Deicide in the first degree!

### Matthew 26:14-15

Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests :15 and said, “**What are you willing to give me if I deliver Him to you?**” And they counted out to him **thirty pieces of silver**.

### Exodus 21:32

*If a man's bull gores a slave, either male or female, the slave's owner is to be given **thirty pieces of silver** in payment...*

### John 12:4-6

But one of His disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon's *son*, who would betray Him, said, :5 “Why was this fragrant oil not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?” :6 This he said, not that he cared for the poor, **but because he was a thief, and had the money box; and he used to take what was put in it.**

## MAN'S ULTIMATE REVELATION WILL COME

### 3b.) All of us will answer for our decisions v.6

to **betray** Him to them in the absence of the multitude.

Each of Us are Either Getting Closer or Further Away from God

**Understand this, Judas didn't wake one day** to find out that God had damned him to eternity. Judas was **not a victim**. Judas **willfully aligned himself against Christ**, he **thoughtfully agreed** with, **gladly became** a contributor to - - the plans of Satan.

Judas “Willfully” - - Refused to Put His Faith in Jesus Christ

### Hebrews 6:4-6

It is impossible for those who have once been enlightened, who have tasted the heavenly gift, who have shared in the Holy Spirit, :5 who have tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the coming age, :6 if they fall away, to be brought back to repentance, because to their loss they are crucifying the Son of God all over again and subjecting him to public disgrace.

*For you to say, “I am giving up His salvation for some other way, a different way.” then there is nothing else that can save you... take a peek back at **verse 4** of Luke one last time; :4 “**So he went his way...**” that was Judas' problem. It had to be his way*

**Hebrews 4:13**

There is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are **naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.**

**MAN'S ULTIMATE REVELATION WILL COME**

**3c.) All of us can know how it ends**

**v.6**

**The End Becomes the Beginning**

Our **end** here in this life - - takes us to **the beginning** of eternity.  
Our **temporal** lives here - - will yield to **our eternal lives** there.

**The Beginning is Getting Closer – Every Day!  
A Grave Warning Here**

What led Judas Iscariot to do such a senseless, stupid thing?  
Some believe that he was a misguided patriot who was trying to get his leader to take charge and over through the roman occupation. But it's more likely that Judas had been a "fair weather follower" of Jesus Christ and an Opportunist.

**False Expectations Will Cause Disillusionment.**

Judas had Misunderstood, Misread Jesus' Mission. "When Jesus didn't come through for him, he was disappointed, angered, and he walked out on Jesus.

This is why, **trials** are not temptations.  
**Trials** prove our genuineness, if our faith is real.

**"SUDDEN ACTS OF BETRAYAL"**  
*are anything but sudden. They are well planned acts of the will.*

**"THE MOMENT FOR YOU TO DECIDE IS NOW"**

*End of Study*