

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

JESUS CHRIST THE SON OF MAN

LUKE CHAPTER 22:49-62

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PASSING THROUGH THE STORM

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

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As we study the scriptures, it is vital that as we approach the Bible, in the way that God has called us to... *i.e.*, that we never come to it - - reading something into it, but rather it, reading into us. The Bible is "that thing" that the Lord wants us as a people, as a local church, as individual Christians to learn and to know.

Proverbs 4:23

Keep your heart with all diligence, for out of it *spring* the issues of life.

So, then we're to "put on" our sandals.

we're to get into the scene of what is taking place

Romans 15:4

For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope.

Luke 22:49-62

:49 When those around Jesus saw what was going to happen, they said to Him, "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 answered and said, "Permit even this." And He touched his ear and healed him. **:52** Then Jesus said to the chief priests, captains of the temple, and the elders who had come to Him, "Have you come out, as against a robber, with swords and clubs? **:53** When I was with you daily in the temple, you did not try to seize Me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness." **:54** Now

having arrested Him, they led Him and brought Him into the high priest's house. But Peter followed at a distance. **:55** Now when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. **:56** And a **certain servant girl**, seeing him as he sat by the fire, looked **intently** at him and said, "This man was also with Him." **:57** But he **denied Him**, saying, "Woman, I do not **know Him**." **:58** And after a little while another saw him and said, "You also are of them." But Peter said, "Man, I am not!" **:59** Then after about an hour had passed, another **confidently affirmed**, saying, "Surely this *fellow* also was with Him, for he is a Galilean." **:60** But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are saying!" Immediately, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed. **:61** And the Lord **turned and looked** at Peter. **Then Peter remembered** the word of the Lord, how He had said to him, "Before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times." **:62** So Peter went out and **wept bitterly**.

The Stage is Set:

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But this is your hour, and the power of darkness.

Is a reference to Satan's earlier attempt...

Luke 4:13

Now when the devil had ended every temptation,
he departed from Him until an opportune time.

That an Unholy Alliance is in Effect

Isaiah 28:15

Judas could have said:

...We have made a covenant with death, **and with hell**
are we at agreement.

Verse 49-47

:49 When those around Him saw **what was going to happen....**
(This answers to **verse 47-48**)

Verse 47-48

...he who was called **Judas**, one of the twelve,
went before them and drew near to Jesus to kiss Him....

:48 But Jesus said to him, “Judas, are you **betraying**
the Son of Man with a kiss?”

kiss *file+w phileo*, *fil-eh'-o*; to be a faithful friend to fond over, to embrace with deep affection, to befriend with an act of endearment.
the mark of tenderness.

“Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a **kiss**?”

That's what makes this betrayal so monstrous and so
notorious...

Judas couldn't you have greeting me some other way?

Professor William Barclay Writes;

*“It is with the kiss of affection, the sign of respect, and the Loyal submission
of a student to his beloved teacher that Judas - abandons God.”*

Judas was a “Satanically Anointed”, Master of Deception.

PASSING THROUGH THE STORM

GOD'S PLAN IN THE MIDST OF DARKNESS

1.) The danger of” almost” staying close vs. 54-55

1a.) In danger of associating with Jesus Christ vs. 54

Now having arrested Him, they led Jesus and brought Him into the high priest's house.
But **Peter followed at a distance.**

Mark's gospel adds that Peter not only **followed at a distance**”, and **sat “among
them”** - - but that he also **comforted himself by their fire.**

A dangerous place for any Christian to be

What was going on inside Peter's head?

But what about Peter?

Wasn't Peter doing the same thing to Jesus that Judas was doing?

Peter had once walked on **water** – but not this night

Peter had once confessed the ultimate **confession** – not now

Peter had once witnessed the eternal **glory** – now he sits by a campfire

Did Peter Have Psalm 1 in His Mind?

Psalm 1:1

Blessed (happy, glad, fully content, welfare) *is* the man Who **walks not** in the counsel of the ungodly, **nor stands** in the path of sinners, **nor sits** in the seat of the scornful; **:2** But his delight *is* in the law of the LORD, And in His law he **meditates day and night**. **:3** He shall be like a tree Planted by the rivers of water, that **brings forth its fruit** in its season, whose **leaf also shall not wither**; And **whatever he does shall prosper**. **:4** The ungodly *are* not so but *are* like the chaff which the wind drives away. **:5** Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, Nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous. **:6** For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, But the way of the ungodly shall perish. – The life of Judas & Peter Contrasted, all in a Single Psalm!

THE DANGER OF ALMOST STAYING CLOSE

1b.) In danger of comforting yourself among them vs. 55

Now when **they** had kindled a fire in the midst of the courtyard and **sat down together, Peter sat among them.**

When the Christian is “almost close” to Jesus,
That Christian is in danger of being in 2 worlds

Ephesians 5:11-12

And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose *them*. **:12** For it is shameful even to speak of those things which are done by them in secret.

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GOD'S PLAN IN THE MIDST OF DARKNESS

2.) The danger of "almost" counting the costs vs. 56-57

2a.) The fear of man will manipulate us vs. 56

I Love The "Attention to Detail" of the Bible

And a **certain servant girl**, seeing him as *he sat by the fire*, looked **intently** at him and said, "This man was also with Him."

"a **certain** servant girl"

we learn from the gospel of **John 18:15**, that she was a young lady who the apostle John knew because it says there that the High Priest knew who John was...

somebody knows somebody who knows somebody

(Which is why there are so many busybodies)

because Peter is where he should not be – he's now in the den of compromise

Proverbs 29:25

The fear of man brings a snare, But whoever trusts in the LORD shall be safe.

Here's Manly Peter, Fisherman Peter, Walk on Water Peter, I'll Cut Your Ear Off Peter.... Now being terrorized by a servant girl.

2b.) The fear of others will control us vs. 57

But he **denied Him**, saying, "Woman, I do not **know Him**."

denied ajrne÷omai arneomai, *ar-neh'-om-ahee*; to contradict, to reject, to refuse or throw off or to cast away from you.

Matthew 10:32-33

"Therefore, whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. :33 But whoever denies Me before men, him I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven.

This is The Difference Between a Judas and a Peter

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GOD'S PLAN IN THE MIDST OF DARKNESS

3.) The danger of “almost” understanding His grace vs. 58-60

There is no doubt in my mind that Peter is believing that he is now condemned for having denied Jesus Christ so completely...

3a.) God's grace is unmerited vs. 58

:58 And after a little while **another** saw him and said, “You also are of them.” But Peter said, “**Man, I am not!**”

**peter's “denial” is intensifying
So God's Grace is Applied All the More**

Romans 5:20b

...but where sin abounds, grace abounds much more,

Peter is Being Broken Down by The Circumstances.
In reality, he's dying to the old way that Peter once lived.

How Do You Handle Challenges? – if in your own strength, you're going to suffer long and hard. But if by submission to the Lord – then expect victory!!!

**Did Peter Survive This Fieldtrip?
(Peter becomes better, not bitter)**

The Danger Among Many “Professing” Christians Today

Hebrews 12:15

looking carefully lest anyone fall short of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up cause trouble, and by this many become defiled.

THE DANGER OF ALMOST UNDERSTANDING GOD'S GRACE

3b.) God's grace is relentless vs. 59

Then after about an hour had passed, **another confidently affirmed**, saying, "Surely this *fellow* also was with Him, for he is a Galilean."

2 Corinthians 12:8-9

Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me. :9 And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness." Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

1 Peter 1:13

So think clearly and exercise self-control. Look forward to the grace of God that will come to you at the return of Jesus Christ.

3c.) God's grace is convicting vs. 60

But Peter said, "**Man, I do not know what you are saying!**"
Immediately, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed.

Mark's Parallel Gospel Account 14:71

Then he began to curse and swear,
"I do not know this Man of whom you speak!"

We so often "misread" the voice of God when He calls.
Repeatedly, God was showing Peter His grace. He did to Judas...

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GOD'S PLAN IN THE MIDST OF DARKNESS

4.) The danger of "almost" hiding sin vs. 61-62

4a.) Almost hidden sin speaks vs. 61a

:61 And the Lord **turned** and **looked** at Peter.
Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord,

remembered uJpomimnh/skw hupomimnesko, *hoop-om-im-nace'-ko*;
a soft or gentle reminder. to quietly call to mind, a quiet voice reminding.

The Look of “Knowing”

With the look, Peter was to remember the words spoken by Jesus.
The promises made, the miles behind them, the things seen, the miracles had

Today, in our modern, man-made “spirituality”

we would seek to justify why this man or woman is sinning.

The fact is – modern day religion would say...

That's not a sin any longer. God's word **changes** with the
ages.

Malachi 3:6

“For I *am* the LORD, I do not change;

Hebrews 13:8

Jesus Christ *is* the same yesterday, today, and forever.

Numbers 32:23

take note, you have sinned against the LORD; and be sure your sin will find you out.

THE DANGER OF ALMOST HIDING SIN

4b.) Almost hidden sin exposes

vs. 61b

how He had said to him, “Before the rooster crows,
you will deny Me three times.”

There's comfort here if you look closer.

Jesus, in His **omniscient sovereignty**, He had told Peter in advance that he was
going to fail, stumble and deny Him...

Luke 22:31-32,34

And the Lord said, “Simon, Simon! Indeed, Satan has asked for you, that he may sift
you as wheat. **:32** But I have prayed for you, that your faith should not fail; and when
you have returned to *Me*, strengthen your brethren.” ... **:34** Then He said, “I tell you,
Peter, the rooster shall not crow this day before you will deny three times that you
know Me.”

A Warning for Today - - NLT 2 Timothy 2:16-17,19

Avoid godless, foolish discussions that lead to more and more ungodliness. :17 This kind of talk spreads like cancer. Hymenaeus and Philetus are examples of this...

...:19 But God's truth stands firm like a foundation stone with this inscription: ***"The Lord knows those who are his," and "Those who claim they belong to the Lord must turn away from all wickedness."***

Beware, avoid, get away from so called Christians that are always involved in foolish discussions that lead to ungodly thoughts and division...

THE DANGER OF ALMOST HIDING SIN

4c.) Almost hidden sin releases vs. 62

So Peter went out and **wept bitterly**.

This "wept bitterly" is an interesting thing.

**Peter is not weeping because he got caught.
He's weeping because he has denied the only one that could save him.
Peter is aware that he has sinned against God!**

Proverbs 28:13

He who covers his sins will not prosper,
But whoever confesses and forsakes *them* will have mercy.

**Over the course of the next 72 Hours,
Peter will go through a dramatic metamorphosis.**

**This bitter weeping is not for nothing.
Peter is against the ropes and he's dying of self.**

We must all suffer this kind of death to our self-life.

Matthew 12:30-32

He who is not with Me is against Me, and he who does not gather with Me scatters abroad. :31 "Therefore I say to you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven men, but the blasphemy *against* the Spirit will not be forgiven men. :32 Anyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man, it will be forgiven him; but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit, it will not be forgiven him, either in this age or in the *age* to come.

Peter is an example to us.
He is dying a death that leads to eternal life.

**IF TODAY YOU'RE HEARING HIS GENTLE,
BUT FIRM VOICE INSIDE OF YOU,
THEN YOU NEED TO ANSWER HIM NOW...**

End of Study