

“What Judas Lost”

Lesson Text: **Matthew 26:47-50**. How Did One Of Jesus’ Twelve Betray Him?

I. Judas Lost His Way.

- Judas First Began To Lose His Good Character.
 - He Was Personally Chosen By Jesus To Be One Of The Twelve. **Luke 6:12-16**.
 - He Performed Miracles With The Other Twelve. **Luke 9:1-2; vs. 6**.
 - Jesus Even Tells All Of Them To Rejoice That Their Names Are Written In Heaven. **Luke 10:20**.
- He Lost His Good Character By Temptation & Sin Overtaking Him.
 - Just Like Judas, People Often Start Out Serving Jesus, But Find Themselves In Unrepentant Sin.
 - This Is What Happens When We Don’t Actually Deal With Our Sins The Right Way.
 - **Proverbs 28:13**. We Just Cover It Up And Not Repent.
 - But We Forget That God See And Knows All Our Deeds. **Proverbs 15:3; Revelation 3:1-3**.
 - Judas Wanted To Keep Stealing From The Money Box- **John 12:3-6**.
- Sin Has A Corrupting Power Over Us.
 - Judas Was Not Going To Be Deterred From Still Betraying Jesus.
 - Deterred Definition: “discourage (someone) from doing something by instilling doubt or fear of the consequences.”
 - **Matthew 26:20-25**. Judas Still Pursues On To Betray Jesus, Even After being Exposed!
 - A Continued Course Of Walking In Unrepentant Sin Can Harden Our Heart- **Hebrews 3:12-13**.

II. Judas Lost His Salvation.

- Many Who Teach “*Once Saved Always Saved*” Struggle To Explain Judas’ Fall.
- It Is Even Said That Judas Was Never Ever Saved In The First Place.
 - **Hebrews 6:4-6; 2 Peter 2:20-22**.
- Judas’ Fall Refutes Calvinism. If Judas Fell, So Can We!
- Calvinism Doesn’t Offer Any Real Assurance Of Salvation To Those Faithful, Yet Fall.

III. Judas Lost The Sight Of The Savior.

- Judas Tried To Make Things Right— His Own Way! **Matthew 27:3-5**.
- Judas Had Sorrow For What He Did, But Didn’t Go To The Savior. **2 Corinthians 7:10**.
- The Difference In What Peter Did In Denying Jesus And Judas In Betraying Him.
 - **John 21:17**.

IV. Judas Lost His Office To Another Man.

- **Acts 1:15-26**. His Office, Lit. Overseer, Was Vacant Because His Fall!
- “*to take part in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas by transgression fell,*” (**Vs. 25**). He Was NOT With The Twelve!

V. What Judas Lost.... Missed Out!

- All The Blessings Of Being An Apostle Of Jesus!
 - Being A Witness Of Jesus’ Resurrection— **John 20:25**.
 - Preaching The Gospel On Pentecost! **Acts 2:14**.
 - Helping Lost Souls To Be Saved In The Kingdom- **Luke 13:18; Colossians 1:13**.
 - Going To The Place Jesus Spoke Of In **John 14:2-4**.