

## INTRODUCTION

- \* The primary purpose of John's gospel is reveal Jesus as the Son of God who became the Lamb of God to take away the sins of the world. The first 12 chapters of John's gospel account cover the public ministry of Jesus, revealing His Deity through both His declarations and the performance of miracles that only YHWH could do.
- \* Last week, we began to look at Jesus' final evening with His disciples. In chapters 13-18, we see Jesus' final teaching and instruction to His disciples. As we discussed last week, when you know that you are about to pass away, you want to make sure that you impart those things that you believe those you are leaving behind need to know. This is what we will be considering over the next two months or so.
- \* This section is initiated with the statement that Jesus "having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end."
- \* Last week, we saw that Jesus demonstrated His love through servant leadership. He saw their need and then became involved in meeting their need. His washing their feet was just a small illustration of the sacrifice and cleansing that He would shortly perform on their behalf.
- \* Today, we continue looking at the "extent" of this great love, by looking deeper into the context and relationships which were involved during that event. For, in this moment, we see the juxtaposition of the failure of man with the faithfulness of God.

## INSTRUCTION

### I. THE FAILURE OF MAN

#### A. Observations (cf. Luke 22:1-6, 31-34, 39-62; Matthew 26:14-16)

1. THE BETRAYER (cf. Luke 22:1-6; Matthew 26:14-16; 27:1-10; Zechariah 11:12-13): Judas

a. His D \_\_\_\_\_

b. His D \_\_\_\_\_

2. THE DENIER (cf. Luke 22:31-34,39; Matthew 10:24-33; 2 Timothy 2:11-13): Peter

#### B. Applications

1. P \_\_\_\_\_ v. F \_\_\_\_\_  
 \* cf. Romans 9:17-21; Proverbs 16:4; 1 Corinthians 2:7; Ephesians 1:5-14  
 \* cf. 1 Peter 1:2, 20; Romans 8:29; 11:2; 2 Peter 3:17

2. R \_\_\_\_\_ v. R \_\_\_\_\_ (cf. 2 Corinthians 7:9-10; Hebrews 12:14-17)

### II. THE FAITHFULNESS OF GOD ... *seen in* ...

A. The G \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ (cf. John 13:31-33)

B. The C \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ (cf. John 13:34-38; Romans 5:6-11; 1 John 3:11-23; Matthew 5:43-48)

## INTROSPECTION

- \* ON A SCALE OF 1-10 ... HOW FAITHFUL TO CHRIST ARE YOU?
- \* DO YOU DENY HIM, OR BETRAY HIM, BY YOUR WORDS AND ACTIONS?
- \* DOES IT BOTHER YOU WHEN/IF YOU DO?
- \* USING JESUS' LITMUS TEST: WOULD "ALL KNOW THAT YOU ARE [HIS] DISCIPLE" BY YOUR LOVE FOR OTHERS?
- \* IS THERE A NEED TO CHANGE THE WAY YOU THINK ... AND, THEREFORE, THE WAY YOU ACT?

## INTERACTION ... Thoughts & Questions to ponder for later discussion

- \* Read 1 Corinthians 13:1-7. This is the same passage as last week. Continue meditating upon how Christ manifested the attributes of true love recorded in the passage, and honestly ask yourself: How can I manifest them in my life?