

The Glory of God in the Face of Betrayal and Denial

John 13:21-38



John 13:19

“From now on I am telling you before it comes to pass, so that when it does occur, you may believe that I am He.”

Theme of John 13:21-38

Jesus tells of His glory and initiates a new commandment that His disciples love one another as He loves them in the face of foretelling the sinful failures of two of the disciples.

Sequence of Events in the Upper Room

1. Jesus washes the feet of the disciples
2. Jesus reveals Judas the betrayer and Judas leaves
3. Jesus tells of His glory and issues His New Commandment
4. Jesus institutes the Lord's Supper
5. Jesus gives final instructions to His disciples
6. Jesus prays for His disciples

The Foretelling of Betrayal - John 13:21-30

1. Jesus became troubled in spirit
2. Jesus clearly stated that one of the 12 will betray Jesus into the hands of His enemies

John 13:2

The devil having already put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon, to betray Him

John 13:10-11

Jesus said to him, “He who has bathed needs only to wash his feet, but is completely clean; and you are clean, but not all of you.”

John 13:18

“I do not speak of all of you. I know the ones I have chosen; ONE I HAVE NOT CHOSEN but it is that the Scripture may be fulfilled, ‘He who eats My bread has lifted up his heel against Me.’”

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1. Jesus became troubled in spirit
2. Jesus clearly stated that one of the 12 will betray Jesus into the hands of His enemies
3. The disciples are confused as to who it might be
4. Peter initiates the question through John - "Lord, who is it?"
5. Jesus answered, "It is the one for whom I shall dip the morsel and give it to him."

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6. Jesus then gave the dipped morsel to Judas

7. Judas' heart was entered by Satan who took full possession of his soul.

8. Judas was dismissed by Jesus and told to do his deed "faster"

9. The rest of the disciples remained confused about what had happened

10. John records that when Judas departed, it was night

The Foretelling of the Father and Jesus Glorified - John 13:31-36

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Theme of the Bible

God is redeeming a people
for His Son, by His Son,
to His own glory

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1. The Son of Man is glorified; God the Father is glorified in the Son of Man; the Son of Man is glorified in God the Father
2. The signature characteristic of God's people is that they love one another reflecting the deep love that God demonstrates toward His people
3. Where Jesus is going now, no one can come

John 7:34

“You will seek Me, and will not find Me; and where I am, you cannot come.”

John 8:21

“I go away, and you will seek Me, and will **die in your sin**; where I am going, you cannot come.”

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The Foretelling of Denial

John 13:37-38

1. Peter wants to go with Jesus now even to the point of death
2. Jesus predicted that Peter would deny Jesus 3 times before daybreak

Implications:

1. We are to love one another with Christ-like love
2. We need to proclaim Jesus Christ and not deny Him
3. All need to repent and believe in Jesus Christ