

LESSONS THIS QUARTER

- 1) 07 Mar 2021..... Luke 10-13.....Neighbors?
- 2) 14 Mar..... Luke 14-16.....Celebrate?
- 3) 21 Mar..... Luke 17-18.....Worthy?
- 4) 28 Mar..... Luke 19:28-48.....Worshipped
- 5) 04 Apr..... Luke 24:1-12.....Resurrected
- 6) 11 Apr..... Luke 19:1-27.....Sinners?
- 7) 18 Apr..... Luke 20-21.....Cornerstone
- 8) 25 Apr..... Luke 22:1-30.....Remembered
- 9) 02 May..... Luke 22:31-53.....Willing
- 10) 09 May..... Luke 22:54-71.....Denied
- 11) 16 May..... Luke 23.....Sacrificed
- 12) 23 May..... Luke 24:13-35.....Revealed
- 13) 30 May..... Luke 24:36-53.....Commissions

INTRODUCTION

- We see Satan entering Judas to work a shameful deed and the other disciples argue about who is the greatest. It seems Jesus didn't pick the A Team, but would we do any better if Jesus picked us instead?

Passage	Comments
Luke 22:1-6	<p>The Last Passover</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • v2. Why would Scripturally-knowledgeable leaders seek to harm a mighty miracle worker, such as Jesus? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Pride? <input type="checkbox"/> Spiritually ignorance? <input type="checkbox"/> Selfish motives? <input type="checkbox"/> Ungodly heart? <input type="checkbox"/> Other reasons? • v3. Satan entered Judas. Was Judas demon possessed or just influenced? Was he even saved? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Can Christians be demon-possessed or obsessed?
Was Judas Saved?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jesus even prayed all night before selecting Judas as one of the specifically chosen 12 Apostles • Judas saw the Messiah in action • Judas witnessed tremendous miracles by Jesus • Judas worked healings along with the other Apostles • He was an Apostle in good standing as he had the seat of honor sitting next to Jesus at the Last Supper and receiving the sop • ...so if anyone was saved, Judas had to be – right? <p>Circumstantial Evidence for Judas Being Saved</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jesus called Judas, "Friend" Mat 26:50 • Judas seemed remorseful..... Mat 27:3-5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ He threw away the 30 pieces of silver he received ♦ He hanged himself he was so despondent <p>Evidence for Judas NOT Being Saved</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yet, preaching, working miracles, knowing about Jesus, & having dinner w/ Him does not save Mat 7:23 • Being remorseful is not being repentant • Judas was full of himself (not humbled)..... Luke 14:26-27 <p>...and Passages Referring to Judas' Wickedness</p> <p>Ps 41:9. Even my close friend, whom I trusted, he who shared my bread, has lifted up his heel against me.</p> <p>Ps 55:12-14. ... I once enjoyed sweet fellowship with you as we walked into the House of God together.</p> <p>John 13:18. I am not referring to all of you; I know those I have chosen. But this is to fulfill the scripture: He who shares my bread has lifted up his heel against me.'</p> <p>John 17:12. While I was with them in the world, I kept them in thy name: those whom you gave me I have kept, and none of them is lost, but the son of perdition; that the scripture might be fulfilled.</p> <p>Acts 1:17. Judas was one of our number and shared in this ministry. With the reward he got for his wickedness</p> <p>Conclusion of the Matter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In all probability, Judas was not saved based on what is noted in Scripture • BUT, could he have been saved? Absolutely YES, if he had humbly repented & accepted Christ as his Lord

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More on Demonic Activities	<p>Satan has permission from God to Torment through Oppression, Obsession, and Possession</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is no indication from Scripture that Satan can possess believers, but he can impede or hinder our progress as affirmed by Apostle Paul 1Thes 2:18 • Satan's main strategy to thwart God's plan for mankind's redemption is by deceiving us..... Rev 13:14 • Though Scripture states Satan and his demons can seemingly work "great wonders" & miracles (Rev 13), yet Scripture calls them "Lying Wonders" 2Thes 2:9 • There are varying levels of demonic powers, from testing people (Peter and you and me), tormenting (Job & Paul), enticing (Judas), possessing individuals (demoniacs), to manipulating nations (Dan 10, Rev 18:23) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Know this however, when it comes to plagues and pestilences, Scripture is clear only God sends national and global pandemics..... Hab 3:5; Rev 6:8 • The greatest weapon we have against Satan is to draw near to God through willful obedient submission (e.g., praying & fellowship), then Satan must flee Jms 4:7-8
22:7-20	<p>Passover – Institution of Our Communion Practice</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jesus implemented this simple practice/tradition to help us frequently recall His sacrifice in a tangible way • Whether we partake of it weekly, monthly, or quarterly (as often as we do it, 1Cor 11:25), the intent is when we come together as the Body of Christ we essentially recall the purpose of His sacrifice and the purpose of His New Covenant with us – to continue growing His Kingdom
22:21-30	<p>Who is the Traitor and Who is the Greatest Amongst us?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From a Christian perspective, the more spiritually mature should be the most humbled servant(s) • Elders/Pastors have a tough calling in this area. They are not to be lords over the flock or rule them with severity, but lead by example.. 1King 12:7; Ezek 34:4; 1Peter 5:1-3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Our job is to make their job easy for them..... Heb 13:17

CONCLUSION / APPLICATIONS

- "A man can counterfeit love, he can counterfeit faith, he can counterfeit hope and all the other graces, but it is very difficult to counterfeit humility." - Dwight L. Moody

NEXT WEEK: Luke 22:31-53. Satan got permission to "sift" Peter like wheat – IOW, to test his loyalty, fortitude, & dedication to Christ; Jesus asked God if Plan B was an option; Judas betrays his Lord; and swords come out requiring Jesus to heal someone with a missing body part.

