

**A SERMON SERIES FOR EASTER 2005**  
**The People of the Easter Story: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly**  
**Message Two- Judas: Betrayal of the Christ**  
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***INTRODUCTION:***

Our Series:

- Pilate: Refusal of the Christ
- Judas: Betrayal of the Christ
- Peter: Denial of the Christ
- Barabbas: Grateful to the Christ
- John: Loyal to the Christ

Matt. 26:14-16, 47-50; 27:3-10:

Luke 22:1-6, 20-23:

John 13:21-30; 18:1-9:

***PROPOSITION:*** Six facts about Judas should cause us to stop and think, “How have I betrayed Christ?”

***I. JUDAS MISSED THE POINT.***

- A. He Didn't Understand the ***Concept*** of the Messiah.
- B. He Didn't Understand the ***Context*** of His Mission.

***II. JUDAS MANAGED THE PURSE. John 12:1-8.***

- A. He Was Financially ***Driven.***
- B. He Was Fiscally ***Dishonest.***

**III. JUDAS' MALICIOUSNESS WAS PROPHESED. John 12:21-30.**

- A. Jesus Perceived What Judas Would Do.
- B. Jesus Permitted What Judas Would Do.

**IV. JUDAS MADE A PLAN. Matt. 26:14-16; Luke 22:1-6**

- A. He Made a Plan to Better His Financial Situation.
- B. He Made a Plan to Betray His Faithful Savior.

**V. JUDAS MAGNIFIED HIS POCKETS. Matt. 27:3-10.**

- A. This Self-Indulgence Brought Him Unforeseen Sorrow.
- B. This Self-Indulgence Brought Him Unforgettable Shame.

**VI. JUDAS MET WITH PERDITION.**

- A. He Caused His Own Earthly Death.
- B. He Confirmed His Own Eternal Damnation.

***APPLICATION:***

1. Have you ever approached “religion” with your own agenda?
2. Is your soul more attracted to earthly things than heavenly things?
3. What choices have you made and what actions have you committed that bring you great regret?
4. How will a future generation view your life as you have lived it?
5. What can you do today to demonstrate your unwavering devotion to Christ?