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"Loving and Leading People to a Greater Life"

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WHEN JUDAS IS AT YOUR TABLE

John 13:21–35 GW

21 After saying this, Jesus was deeply troubled. He declared, "I can guarantee this truth: One of you is going to betray me!" **22** The disciples began looking at each other and wondering which one of them Jesus meant. **23** One disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, was near him at the table. **24** Simon Peter motioned to that disciple and said, "Ask Jesus whom he's talking about!" **25** Leaning close to Jesus, that disciple asked, "Lord, who is it?" **26** Jesus answered, "He's the one to whom I will give this piece of bread after I've dipped it in the sauce." So Jesus dipped the bread and gave it to Judas, son of Simon Iscariot. **27** Then, after Judas took the piece of bread, Satan entered him. So Jesus told him, "Hurry! Do what you have to do." **28** No one at the table knew why Jesus said this to him. **29** Judas had the moneybag. So some thought that Jesus was telling him to buy what they needed for the festival or to give something to the poor. **30** Judas took the piece of bread and immediately went outside. It was night. **31** When Judas was gone, Jesus said, "The Son of Man is now glorified, and because of him God is glorified. **32** If God is glorified because of the Son of Man, God will glorify the Son of Man because of himself, and he will glorify the Son of Man at once." **33** Jesus said, "Dear children, I will still be with you for a little while. I'm telling you what I told the Jews. You will look for me, but you can't go where I'm going. **34** "I'm giving you a new commandment: Love each other in the same way that I have loved you. **35** Everyone will know that you are my disciples because of your love for each other."



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MAIN POINT:

You cannot control someone else's loyalty, but you can control whether their betrayal changes your character or distracts you from your calling.

POINT 1: _____ THE TRUTH — John 13:21–26

- A.** Admit that it hurts v. 21
- B.** Access does not guarantee loyalty vv. 22–26

POINT 2: REFUSE TO _____ John 13:26–29; Romans 12:17–21

- A.** Protect your character Romans 12:17–18
- B.** Practice restraint while keeping boundaries Romans 12:18–21

POINT 3: LET THEM _____ – John 13:27–35

- A.** Release what you cannot control vv. 27–30
- B.** Remain faithful to what God has entrusted to you vv. 31–35