

PLANS OF DESTRUCTION & SALVATION DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

LUKE 22.1-38

- 1 **Luke 22:1-6 opens with the first glimpses of Judas' betrayal of Jesus.** What things come to mind when you hear the word "betrayal?" What are some of the effects betrayal has on people?


 *History shows that betrayal of a friend or even a family member is not unique, but what puts Judas' betrayal in a class by itself?*


 *How did God use the betrayal of Jesus to our advantage? See Acts 2:23, Col. 2:15-16, Rom. 8:28, Genesis 50:20.*

 *What circumstances of your life do you need to view through the lens of God's working through the betrayal of Jesus?*

- 2 **Jesus is our Passover Lamb (Luke 22:19-20).** Read Exodus 12:5, 1 Peter 1:19, John 1:29, Isaiah 53:5, Hebrews 10:10. What are some of the implications of that for you?

 *What kind of lessons can we learn from the typology of Jesus as the lamb of God, or his fulfillment of Passover at large?*

 *Since his childhood Jesus had witnessed the sacrificing of the lamb in Jerusalem's temple, knowing it would someday be himself. What do you think might have been going through his mind during this last intimate Passover supper with his closest friends? What does scripture reveal to be some of his deepest concerns? See Luke 22:14-23.*

 *How does meditating on Jesus' thoughts during this passover meal encourage you today?*

3 **Have you ever been faced with leadership rivalry in a group?** What was that like and how did you respond?

⚙️ *In general, how would the understanding of the term “greatness” differ between believers and unbelievers? See Mark 9:35*

⚙️ *What kind of leadership lessons can we learn from the disciples and their blunders in Luke 22?*

⚙️ *How did Jesus model true leadership? Read John 13:12-17*

4 **Jesus foretold Peter’s denial and his slipping faith.** What warnings do you see in your own life when you consider Luke 22:31-34? How do you see yourself in Peter’s self-confidence?

📖 *How can Satan’s desire to sift disciples sober us? (See 1 Peter 5:8, 2 Corinthians 2:11, Ephesians 6:11-12, John 10:10, Revelation 12:10) And, how can we find encouragement in Jesus’ prayer for His disciples?*

5 **What is the symbolism and purpose of the Lord’s Supper?** How did Jesus recast the meaning of the Passover meal?

⚙️ *As you celebrate communion, do you most often find yourself looking up to God in gratitude, back to the cross in remembrance, forward to the future in hope of Jesus’ return, within your heart at your own sin, or around the room at the rest of the church? Do you ever miss any of these? What’s at stake if we forget one or more of these perspectives? How could it change the tone of the Lord’s Supper?*

🗣️ *What should your attitude be toward the Lord’s Supper and why? In what ways can you grow in the significance and seriousness of taking communion?*