



Strength for the Journey

“Driven to Betrayal”

John 13:1-30



Notes:

Dotted lines for taking notes.

Strength through Prayer:

Spend a few moments as a group in silent, personal prayer. As Joe asks, could there be a Judas among us this Holy Week who observes and participates in it all, but who thinks: It’s really about me and maintaining my gain and managing my comfort zone with peace and safety?

You may want to begin your prayer with these words:

“Lord Jesus Christ, as I think about Your suffering, death, and resurrection this week, I recognize how deep and rich and wonderful that gift is to me. You have given us a privileged position as children of God and joint heirs with You. I am so honored and loved by You; and yet in the face of that I can be so calculated and intentional and stubborn about my sin and betrayal. I strike down the Judas in my heart. I say no to personal gain and comfort, and I say yes to following hard after You.”

When you are finished with this time for silent, personal prayer, you may want to move into a time of group prayer, praying for one another.

Closing Call to Action:

What’s the comfort quotient in your heart? What’s the cash quotient?

If Jesus were to ask you this week to give up some comfort or cash for Him, would you do that? If your answer is yes, then you are striking down the Judas in your heart—and that’s a really good thing. But if you’re resisting, you need to look again and let God’s Spirit transform your heart.