

# Take it Home

Applying the Preached Word



## Judas the Betrayer

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### Text John 13:18-30

**Main Point: The purpose of Christ cannot be thwarted by the plans of the Enemy**

#### Key Ideas

This passage highlights two important truths about how Jesus deals with the evil in our hearts and in the world.

#### 1. You can't hide your sin from God

- The text clearly shows that the other disciples had no awareness of Judas' intention to betray Christ. Only Jesus knew this. And still Jesus washed Judas' feet (13:1-17).
- Let's not fool ourselves into thinking that if we hide our sin from others it is also hidden from God. God knows everything and it is foolish to think we can live in hiding from him.
- The good news is that Jesus didn't come into the world bringing light for condemnation. He came bringing light to dark places for the purpose of saving sinners!

#### 2. The Lord knows the enemy's plans

- Satan's plan was to defeat Jesus using the sinful propensities of man's heart. But Jesus purpose was to defeat sin and the devil through the cross.
- The devil is still at work lying and destroying. But he is not defeating the activity of God. Even the devil's activity is part of what God uses to work all things together for His good (Romans 8).
- When it comes to the temptations of the evil one we are called to stand in the armor of God (Eph. 6).

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- God knows the end from the beginning. All things will ultimately come under the conquering Savior!

## **Fellowship Starters**

### ***Treasure: Application to stir our love for Christ***

1. What are some things you see the evidence of God overcoming the work of the enemy in the world around you?

### ***Grow: Application to stir our obedience to Christ***

2. Describe a time when the Lord allowed something hidden in your life to be brought into the light for your good.
3. What are some things that can tempt us to keep our sin hidden?
4. How do you respond when you sense that the enemy is at work? Consider Paul's exhortation in Ephesians 6 on the armor of God. What aspects of this armor do you think you are in most need of in your battles?

### ***Proclaim: Application to stir our witness for Christ***

5. How can this passage help you deal with the person who says that God can't be good if he lets evil happen in this world?

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## Songs

**Adam Sacks led us in worship.**

1. Worthy - found on Sovereign Grace Music by [David Brown](#)
2. Before the Throne of God Above - found on [Together for the Gospel live](#) by Sovereign Grace Music
3. Everything to Us - by Tricia Donohue, no recording available
4. Jesus Paid it All - found on [Passion: Everything Glorious](#) by Kristin Stanfill

Following the Message:

5. How Great is Your Faithfulness - found on [We Shall Not Be Shaken](#) by Matt Redman