

BIBLE STUDY: LESSON 31

Scripture of Lesson: John 18: 1~27

1. Judas' betrayal of Christ

- a. What was in Judas that caused him to contact the Jewish ruling group?
- b. What were the stages of Judas' betrayal?
- c. Satan's trap: What conditions in us does Satan use to lure us into distancing God?
 - i. Let's share personal experiences of falling into Satan's trap and then delivered.
- d. What can we learn from Judas' case?

2. Caiaphas the high priest vs. Jesus Christ as the high priest

- a. Christ as the eternal high priest in the order of Melchizedek:
 - i. Christ as the high priest while on the earth: Heb 5:5~10
 - ii. The need for a different high priest from the tribe of Judah: Heb 7:11~28
- b. Christ was faithful in His role as the high priest before God: Teach, pray and offer sacrifice
 - i. Christ taught His disciples during the last supper: John 13 ~ John 16
 - ii. Christ prayed for the disciples and for Himself: John 17
 - iii. Then He went forth to offer Himself as the Lamb of God for salvation of humanity
- c. Caiaphas fulfilled the role of enabling the Lamb's killing without knowledge
 - i. Was Caiaphas faithful in fulfilling his role as the high priest? – A picture of failed priesthood
 - ii. Christ prayer of forgiveness included the Roman soldiers, Caiaphas and other Jewish leaders, Pilate and the crowd that sought His crucifixion.
 - iii. Did God forgive them?
 - Our role in praying for others and God's role of forgiving or punishing –Let us not be offended.

3. Peter's denial of Christ

- a. What caused Peter to deny the Lord three times?
- b. Do we have similar strong factors that cause us to deny Christ in our experiences?
 - i. Let's share personal experiences.
- c. What can we learn from Peter's case?