



In The Shadow Of The Cross

Luke 22

Introduction

The first two verses of this chapter take place on Tuesday evening. Starting at v. 7, it appears to be Thursday evening...less than 12 hours before Jesus dies on the cross. The vast majority of the events recorded in Lk. 22 take place very late Thursday night and on into the waning hours of Friday morning. The shadow of the cross is looming large in these final moments before Jesus' death.

The Jewish Plot To Kill Jesus (22:1-2)

- 1) When did the chief priests & scribes convene? (v. 1; cp. Mt. 26:2-3; Mk. 14:1-2) What was the purpose of their meeting? (v. 2)

Judas' Decision To Betray Jesus (22:3-6)

- 2) What did Judas do? (vv. 3-4; cp. Mt. 26:15a) What could possibly have been the reason for him making such a decision? (Jn. 12:3-8)

- 3) How did the Jews react to this "offer?" (v. 5) What "plan" was set in motion? (v. 6)

The Passover & Lord's Supper (22:7-38)

- 4) What instructions does Jesus give in vv. 8, 10-12? What did the disciples find? (v. 13)

- 5) While reclining at the table, what did Jesus do? (vv. 14-20) Do you see any significance to Jesus' statements in vv. 16, 18? (cp. 1 Cor. 10:16)

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- 6) What “procedures” does Jesus set in order for the Supper? (vv. 17-20; cp. 1 Cor. 11:23)

- 7) What “shocking statement” does Jesus make in vv. 21-22? What sign did Jesus give re: His betrayer? (Jn. 13:26) What specific words did He speak to Judas? (Jn. 13:27)

- 8) What dispute rose up again among the disciples, and how did Jesus solve it? (vv. 24-27)
Thought question: how did Jesus show them “true greatness?” (Jn. 13:4-17) What “rewards” did Jesus say awaits faithful servants? (vv. 28-30)

- 9) What did Jesus personally say to Peter? (v. 31) What do you think this meant? What did Jesus want Peter to do afterwards? (v. 32)

- 10) What was Peter’s reaction to Jesus’ prediction of his fall? (v. 33) What did Jesus say in response? (v. 34) What else does Jesus say in vv. 35-37? Why a “change in plans?”

Jesus In Gethsemane’s Garden (22:39-53)

- 11) What did Jesus do when He arrived at the garden? (v. 39; cp. Mt. 26:36-38) What were His instructions to the 3 disciples? (v. 40) What did He do next? (vv. 41-44; cp. Heb. 5:6-7)

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- 12) How are the disciples described while Jesus prayed? (v. 45) What did Jesus think about this? (v. 46; cp. Mt. 26:40-41)

- 13) What happens in v. 47? What did Jesus think about this? (v. 48) What happens in vv. 49-50? How did Jesus react? (v. 51)

- 14) What else did Jesus say in vv. 52-53?

Jesus Before The Jews (22:54-71)

- 15) Where was Jesus taken? (v. 54a) What actions of Peter are recorded in vv. 54b-60? Comment on Jesus' words to Peter in Mt. 4:18-19 and how they match Peter "following from afar." Also comment on the very dramatic events recorded in vv. 61-62.

- 16) How was Jesus treated by the Jews? (vv. 63-65) What day is it in v. 66a? Where is Jesus now? (v. 66b) What is asked of Jesus? (v. 67a) How does He respond? (vv. 67b-69)

- 17) What specific question is asked of Jesus? (v. 70a) How does He answer? (v. 70b)

- 18) What did the Jews conclude? (v. 71)