

THE LIFE OF CHRIST

LESSON 11: MATTHEW 26



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REVIEW

- Tension between the ruling Jews and Jesus continued to grow higher
- Jesus was in Jerusalem to be betrayed, crucified, and then resurrected (last week)
- Jesus had prophesied about the ultimate destruction of Jerusalem (be alert)
- Jesus warned the disciples to be ready; judgment could come at any time

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MATTHEW 26:1-5

- Jesus warned the disciples that his death (crucifixion) was imminent
- **The Jewish chief priests/elders conspired against Jesus to kill him secretly**
- They were afraid to kill Jesus during the Feast of Unleavened Bread, because they feared a riot

MATTHEW 26:6-16

- A woman poured very expensive perfume over Jesus' head
- The other disciples were indignant about what had happened
- Jesus rebuked them; the woman would always be known for her actions
- Judas took thirty pieces of silver from the chief priests to betray Jesus

MATTHEW 26:17-30

- Jesus made arrangements to have the Passover at someone's house that evening
- **Jesus revealed that one of the disciples was about to betray him; they all questioned if they were the betrayers**
- **Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper, a memorial by which to remember him**
- Judas, at some point, left the others

MATTHEW 26:31-46

- Jesus and the disciples went to the Mount of Olives; Jesus warned them of his death
- **All the disciples claimed they would never abandon Jesus; Peter particularly**
- Jesus prayed for the “cup” to pass from him, but deferred to the will of the Father
- The disciples kept falling asleep; Jesus rebuked them

MATTHEW 26:47-56

- Judas arrived with a crowd of armed men
- **Judas kissed Jesus as a signal (betrayal)**
- Peter took his sword and cut the ear off of one of the high priest's slaves (Malchus)
- **Jesus rebuked Peter; Jesus reminded them that he had the power to stop this**
- **The men arrested Jesus; the disciples all fled, just as Jesus had said**

MATTHEW 26:57-75

- Jesus was taken to Caiaphas, the high priest
- The council tried to convict Jesus by false testimony, but could not
- Finally, after some testimony, Jesus spoke up (when he had to), confirming his identity
- **Jesus began to be mocked and beaten after being informally condemned to death**
- **Peter denied knowing Jesus three times**

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