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FRIEND, WHEREFORE ART THOU COME?

Matthew 26:47-50

INT: Today's study: The Unanswered Question of Christ. Jesus asked many questions, but none more important. Perhaps never expected a reply. Wanted to make Judas think. What if He asked your heart that today? What reply give?

I. SOME REASONS WHICH DISPLEASED CHRIST.

- A. Masses came for loaves and fishes. John 6:26-27.
1. Some still come only for material benefits. All get.
 - a. Sometimes just to please rest of the family.
 - b. Perhaps just to stay in step with rest of town.
 - c. Maybe to hold reputation up before others.
 - d. Is there not a better reason than these???
 - B. Some sought Jesus just to see His miracles. All saw.
 1. Herod interested in miracles only. Luke 23:8-9.
 2. Others come to see, be seen, marvel at results.
 3. Some to enjoy miracle of inspiration; give nothing.
 - C. Officials came to ensnare Him. Matt. 22:15-22.
 1. Enemies of church always do this. Infidels-Skeptics.
 2. Disgruntled church members sometimes do this too.
 3. Jesus met all such with firmness and Godly Spirit.
 - D. Judas came to betray his Lord. Matt. 26:47-50. *inside fold*
 1. Members arrest Christ when arrest (stop church work)
 - a. Loose talk will arrest growth in membership.
 - b. Hypocritical kiss arrest membership attendance.
 - c. Christ's influence arrested by talk to outsiders.

II. SOME REASONS WHICH PLEASED CHRIST GREATLY.

- A. Many sought Him out to listen. Luke 19:47-48.
1. Majority of present day audiences have this motive.
 2. They listen, believe, obey and enjoy salvation. R10:17
- B. Most all attenders come to Honor Christ. Luke 7:37-38.
1. Attendance and singing shows He's first with most. *Knt. 626*
 2. Honor Christ by reverence at Table, by giving also. *Ill. John B. Gough shunned Christ's little one. M2540*
- C. Others came to be healed by Him. Matthew 8:8. © ©
1. Will guarantee rest to those who come and enter into the service wholeheartedly. Matt. 11:28-30.
 2. Bring headaches, weariness, problems for healing.
- D. A few came to die with Him. John 11:16.
1. Many of the Apostles paid with their lives. (Back)
 2. Jesus expects obedience even to that degree. Rev. 2:10

INV: If others could die for Him, surely we can live for Him.

Our prayer: Some come to rededicate their lives. R-B.

Some obey: Acts 22:16.

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Peter supposedly crucified.

Andrew crucified.

James killed in 44 A. D. by King Herod.

John natural death.

Philip natural death.

Bartholomew Flayed and crucified.

Matthew ?

Thomas *Killed in India.*

James died of brain concussion after beating.

Thaddeus crucified in Egypt.

Simon crucified in Judea.

Judas committed suicide.

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John Baptist beheaded.

Steven stoned to death.

Paul stoned and finally beheaded.

*Jesus died on a cross
for remission of sins.*