

True Colors

“ How to Recognize a Judas Drift ”

1. Monitor Spiritual Duplicity vv. 11:55-12:6

2. Look for Self-Serving Motives vv. 12:7-8



Grow Group Discussion Questions

A grow group is 8-16 people who get together weekly to study God's word and the previous Sunday's message. There is a time of discussion, support, encouragement, and learning how the message applies to daily life. **PCC uses the ESV (English Standard Version).**

HOW DO I JOIN A GROUP?

To learn more or join a group, visit pacificcoastchurch.org/gg/ or sign up at the patio Info Kiosk.

GROW GROUPS ARE CURRENTLY ON SUMMER BREAK

Daily Devotions

These are provided for mid-week personal spiritual growth. Prayerfully writing out your answers will help you experience real life transformation as you dig deeper into the spiritual truths of God's word and today's message.

A downloadable PDF of this document is also available each week at pacificcoastchurch.org/sermons.

MONDAY // Read John 11:55-12:2, Numbers 9:9-14, 2 Chronicles 30:17

- What O.T. truths motivated people to arrive early at the Passover festival? What was the other motivation?
- In what way were Martha, Mary, and Lazarus taking a risk by having Jesus over for dinner?
- What does this highlight about their devotion to Jesus? How does this encourage you today? Be specific.

TUESDAY // Read John 12:3-6, Matthew 26:6-9, Mark 14:3-5

- As you read all three accounts of Jesus visiting Martha, Mary, and Lazarus, what is similar and different?
- How does the Gospel of John focus more on Judas? Why is this important to consider when reading John?
- Given that Judas ultimately betrayed Jesus, how is this a warning to all people claiming to follow Jesus?

WEDNESDAY // Read John 12:4-6, Matthew 23:1-36

- Why did Judas have a problem with Mary anointing Jesus? In what way was Judas being duplicitous?
- How were the Pharisees similar? Given the disciples trusted Judas, how is this a warning to all Christians?
- What are some ways you can be tempted into spiritual duplicity? Be specific. How will you protect yourself?

THURSDAY // Read John 12:7-8, Matthew 22:36-39

- Why did Mary anoint Jesus with ointment? (Hint: last rites) How did Jesus correct Judas regarding his perspective?
- In what way was this a priority adjustment? Why will this always be something that can easily happen to Christians?
- How can double-checking motives help? What areas of your life need double-checking? Prayerfully do this now.

FRIDAY // Read John 12:7-8, Matthew 16:24, Luke 9:23-25, Mark 10:17-22

- When it comes to becoming a Christian, what did Jesus mean by saying "pick up your cross"? Be specific.
- What does this imply about a primary struggle in the Christian life? How did Judas demonstrate this struggle?
- What is God bringing to mind about this issue in your life? How can you prevent a Judas drift from taking place?

SATURDAY // Read John 12:4-8, Luke 14:7-11, Philippians 2:3, James 3:14-16

- How did Judas covertly elevate himself over Jesus and the other disciples? How is this the opposite of humility?
- What is a primary indicator if you are being self-serving or God-serving? (Hint: relationship to others)
- In what way are you at risk of a Judas drift? What specific steps will you take today to prevent this from happening?

MEDITATION VERSE: ²⁷"Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs, which outwardly appear beautiful, but within are full of dead people's bones and all uncleanness. ²⁸So you also outwardly appear righteous to others, but within you are full of hypocrisy and lawlessness.

Matthew 23:27-28