

COMMUNITY GROUP STUDY GUIDE**Betrayed**

LUKE 22:31-62

OVERVIEW

Luke is the longest and most comprehensive of the four Gospels, presenting Jesus as the Perfect Man who came to save sinners. Growing belief and growing opposition develop side by side. Those who believe Jesus' claims are challenged to count the cost of discipleship; those who oppose him will not be satisfied until the Son of Man hangs lifeless on a cross. But the resurrection ensures that his ministry of seeking and saving the lost will continue through his disciples once they have been equipped with the indwelling Holy Spirit. Luke reveals that Jesus is the King, and he has come to inaugurate his Kingdom. (Adapted from *Talk Through the Bible*).

APPLY // LUKE 22

1. Read Luke 22:14-30.
2. How does Luke's teaching in verses 14-23 give you a greater appreciation of the Lord's Supper?
3. Practically speaking, what are some ways we can best prepare to celebrate the Lord's Supper as a church family?
4. How does the Lord's Supper remind us that we should use any authority we have in a way that serves others not just benefits ourselves?

OBSERVE & INTERPRET // LUKE 22:31-62

Study the passage of Scripture aiming to faithfully interpret and apply what you observe. Remember we study God's word not just to increase our knowledge, but to increase our trust in and treasuring of Jesus Christ.

Overview/Big Idea: Jesus is rejected and betrayed so that we might be received and beloved.

1. Read Luke 22:31-62.
2. What main themes do you see running through this passage?
 - a. Note: Most of the questions below focus on Jesus in the garden and Peter's betrayal. Given time constraints there's no way to fully unpack this whole text!
3. In verses 31-34, what do we learn about Satan? About Jesus? About Peter?
4. What is Luke's intention in verses 35-38? How do these verses fit into the context of this passage?
5. In verse 40, where is Jesus' focus and concern? What's surprising about this since Jesus knows what he's about to experience?
6. When Jesus prays "take this cup away from me" what is he asking? See Isaiah 51:17; Jeremiah 25:15-17; Lamentations 4:21; Ezekiel 23:31-33.

7. How does Jesus complete his prayer? What's significant about this? What does Jesus prayer tell you about who he is?
 8. In verse 45, what are the disciples doing? How do you think Jesus felt in this moment? What does Jesus tell his disciples to do? What does this tell us about the necessity of prayer?
 9. In verses 47-53, we read of Judas' betrayal of Jesus. How does this passage reveal that Jesus is not a passive victim but actively in control of the situation?
 10. In verses 54-62, we read of Peter's betrayal and rejection of Jesus.
 11. What is it Peter denied (see verses 56, 58, and 59)? What did Peter have to lose in being identified with Jesus?
 12. Jesus turned and looked straight at Peter. Why? What kind of look do you think it was? What did it communicate?
 13. Once Peter recognizes what he has done, what is significant about his response? Why does he weep?
 14. What's the difference between Judas' betrayal of Jesus and Peter's betrayal of Jesus?
- General Bible study questions:
 - **God:** What does this passage teach me about the character of God?
 - **Humanity:** What does this passage teach me about myself and my need for God?
 - **Christ:** How does this passage teach me that God has met my needs in the person and work of Jesus Christ?
 - **Response:** How should I respond with my affections and my actions?
 - **God:** How does this passage help me hope in heaven?

ACCOUNTABILITY

Relationships developed and deepened during accountability provide regular encouragement, and when necessary admonition, to spur each other on to delight in the supremacy of Jesus Christ. Ask one another heart-probing, clarifying questions, and help each other apply the gospel to your lives.

QUESTION: Follow up from previous weeks. Identify evidences of God's grace in each other.