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The Book of John

Lesson 32 - outside the camp

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Read: John 17: 1-26 John 18: 1-40

Exodus 28:29. And Aaron shall bear the names of the children of Israel in the breastplate of judgment upon his heart... Right on the heart of the high priest, when he goes in before the Lord, He is carrying on his heart the names of the children of Israel. In John 17, Jesus Christ our great High Priest enters the presence of His Father; and who is on His heart? He is bearing the disciples on His heart as He goes into the presence of His Father.

<u>Jesus asks for seven things for His people (the believers)</u> – He wants them to have these things in common with Him.

- (1) The Words, verse 8.
- (2) His joy, verse 13.
- (3) To be sanctified, verse 19.
- (4) To be kept from the evil that is in the world, verse 15.
- (5) To be separated, verse 17.
- (6) To be glorified, verse 22.
- (7) To be with Him, verse 24.

Jesus is praying for them for seven reasons.

- (1) They were a gift to Him from the Father, verse 9.
- (2) Because they were dear to His Father, verses 9-10.
- (3) His glory was connected with them verse 10.
- (4) He was leaving them, verses 11 and 15.
- (5) Because they would be in the world, verses 11 and 15.
- (6) They had enemies, verse 14.
- (7) Because He would die for them, verse 19.

Seven Things said about the Believer's Relationship to the World.

- (1) They were given to Christ out of the world, verse 6.
- (2) They were left in the world, verse 11.
- (3) They were not of the world, verse 14.
- (4) They were hated by the world, verse 14.
- (5) They were kept from the evil in the world, verse 15.
- (6) They were sent into the world, verse 18.



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(7) They would show the world God's love, verse 23.

There are Seven Gifts in this chapter.

- (1) Power over all flesh the one that received that gift was Christ, verse 2.
- (2) A Work to do. that was given to Christ, verse 4. (given, gavest, given... shows up 7 times.)
- (3) A People to save that was to Christ, verse 6.
- (4) Glory given to Christ, verse 22.
- (5) Eternal Life, given to believers, verse 2.
- (6) The word given to Christ and believers, verse 8.
- (7) The Glory of the Son given to believers.

Look in verse 24. Do you see that phrase, *before the foundation of the world...*? That term is used three times in the Bible. John 17:24; Ephesians 1:4; First Peter 1:20. The term, *from the foundation of the world*, That term is used seven times in the Bible Matthew 13:35; Matthew 25:34; Luke 11:50; Hebrews 4:3; Hebrews 9:26; Revelation 13:8; Revelation 17:8.

John 15 and John 17 have something in common. These two chapters are entirely the words of Jesus. If you have a red-letter Bible, these two chapters should be all red words – of course all the Bible is the word of God but you understand what I mean when I make this statement.

Chapter 18

Verse 1. When Jesus had spoken these words, he went forth with his disciples over the brook Cedron, where was a garden, into the which he entered, and his disciples. In the book of John, the crucifixion is framed on either side by two gardens. In John 18:1, Jesus enters a garden; in John 19:41, He is buried in a garden. In Matthew, the crucifixion is framed by two evenings. Matthew 26:20 and Matthew 27:57. Now, this brook Kidron (spelled K-I-D-R-O-N) in the Old Testament and it has a very significant location; if you remember the picture that we looked at, Mount Zion sits here and the city of Jerusalem is round about it. Down that slope at the bottom of that slope is the Kidron Valley where this brook runs through. And then right on the other side is the Mount of Olives; and the garden of Gethsemane is on the side of that mountain. So Jesus is going down out of Jerusalem across this brook through this valley and into the garden of Gethsemane which is on the Mount of Olives. Kidron means "dark waters."



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1. Jesus entered the garden, in accord with the sin offering on the day of atonement, the sin offering was destroyed and offered outside the camp. So Jesus Christ would begin to offer Himself outside the camp. If you want the references on that sin offering on the day of atonement, Leviticus 4:12-21, Leviticus 16:27 and then Hebrews 13:12-13 *Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate. Let us go forth therefore unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach.* That is the typology of the sin offering on the day of atonement.

2. In crossing the brook accompanied by His disciples He fulfilled the type of King David, who crossed this brook at the time of his betrayal by His familiar friend. In Second Samuel 15, starting at verse 23, we have the account of David being driven out of the city, the Bible says, *And all the country wept with a loud voice, and all the people passed over: the king also himself passed over the brook Kidron, and all the people passed over; toward the way of the wilderness.* (Zadok, the Levites and Abiathar – David's faithful men went out with him across that river.) Verse 30 says, *And David went up by the ascent of mount Olivet, and wept as he went up, and had his head covered, and he went barefoot: and all the people that was with him covered every man his head, and they went up, weeping as they went up. Across that Kidron brook and on to the mount of Olives. That is David betrayed by his friend; and Jesus as the King, the ultimate king. He is betrayed by his friend with a band of disciples travels that same pathway.*

3. He crossed this brook thus making it easier for His enemies to take Him. Do you remember the leaders who feared to arrest Him because of the people, they were afraid of what the crowds would do? Well, Jesus came to die. So, if you cannot arrest me for the crowd or you are afraid to arrest me because of the multitude, I will go out to a place where there is no crowd and there is no multitude so that you will not have any problem arresting me. He is not trying to escape or hide. He is actually going out there to facilitate His capture.

4. Number four. If you look at verse 2, *And Judas also, which betrayed him, knew the place: for Jesus ofttimes resorted thither with his disciples.* This shows that His death was voluntary. He went to the place where Judas knew He would be.

Two other things happened at this brook Kidron that are significant; and have some connection with the crucifixion. In First Kings 15:13, good king Asa brought his mother's idol to the brook Kidron and destroyed it there. At this same place, good king Josiah, Second Kings 23, when he cleaned out



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the temple, everything relating to idolatry; he brought it down to the brook Kidron and destroyed it there.

Verse 3. Judas then, having received a band of men and officers from the chief priests and Pharisees, cometh thither with lanterns and torches and weapons. A nighttime mob planning for a fight. Just a sad thing, that the Pharisees and the chief priests, would follow Judas but not Jesus. You know, when men set themselves against Jesus, they will allow the most wicked vile of people to be their leaders. You could have the Prince of Peace, Son of God, Saviour for your leader, but you would rather follow Judas.

Verse 4. Jesus therefore, knowing all things that should come upon him, He offered Himself, if He knew what was coming, why did not He hide or He run away? Because He came into this world to lay down His life. Jesus therefore, knowing all things that should come upon him, went forth, and said unto them, Whom seek ye? Do you remember what we have said about the Bible? God does not ask a question because He needs information. He asks a question to give you an opportunity to expose what is in your heart. Did not the verse just say He knew what was coming? Well, then why did He have to ask? He wants them to speak because men are justified or condemned by their words. So God gives you an opportunity to speak to either save yourself or hang yourself depending upon what comes out of your mouth.

Verse 5. They answered him, Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus saith unto them, I am he. And Judas also, which betrayed him, stood with them. As soon then as he had said unto them, I am he, they went backward, and fell to the ground. Incredible. First of all, who killed Jesus? Obviously, nobody. They could not even arrest Him. Much less kill Him. These movies that depict Jesus as defeated, whipped, beaten, bruised – listen, He went through all of that – but He did not go through that because men were over powering Him. The Bible says,

Isa 50:6 I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not my face from shame and spitting. (KJV)

They did not seize His back, His cheeks or His beard. He gave it to them.

John 10:18 No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father. (KJV) Who arrested Him? How about a group of men who were flat on their back? They could not lay a finger on Him unless He submitted voluntarily. Just note that in your Bible, the enemies of the Lord fall backward in His presence. Those who trust the Lord and are worshipping the Lord fall forward upon their faces in His presence.

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As soon then as he had said unto them, I am he, they went backward, and fell to the ground. Now, think about the book of John, how did it start? In the beginning

was the Word. The Word was with God and the word was God. The Word speaks the word and down they go. There is power there. Power. Absolute power.

In verse 7. *Then asked he them again, Whom seek ye*? Now, it looks to me like that maybe something went on here that is not recorded. These guys are laying on the ground flat on their backs, cannot move, cannot get up and the Lord just walks over them and looks down at them and say, "who did you say you were looking for?" To me this is such a great picture of the sinner, down flat on his back, where the Lord could easily kill him/her, and instead He offers Himself to them.

Whom seek ye? And they said, Jesus of Nazareth. You think they were a little less bold the second time He asked with their answer? Jesus answered, I have told you that I am he: if therefore ye seek me, let these go their way: Look at the second act of His power. He is giving the orders now to the men who came to arrest Him; He said, let these go their way, and all the disciples walk away – they did not arrest anybody but Jesus, right?

Verse 9, *That the saying might be fulfilled, which he spake, Of them which thou gavest me have I lost none. Then Simon Peter having a sword…* Now, why did Peter have a sword? I know it is easy to find fault with Peter's mistakes, but you cannot be too critical of him at this point. Because they had been told to take some money and buy a sword. Luke 22:36 And in their minds, they kept thinking over throw the government, set up the kingdom, deliver Israel. What better time to fight. Here is the Lord displaying His power. Just a week ago Peter saw Him ride into town on palm branches and the coats and the crowd shouting. Peter is thinking "I have a sword… here come the soldiers… this is it, time to start fighting." You cannot blame him for making this mistake; it is a good, sincere, dedicated man doing the best he can do without understanding.

Verse 10. Simon Peter having a sword drew it, and smote the high priest's servant, and cut off his right ear. The servant's name was Malchus. Now, you do not get that much information in the other gospels. Right ear – that is very specific and peculiar to John. The name of the servant, was not given in the other three gospels. That is peculiar to John. – here is what you wonder; I have tried to picture how you could get into a position where you swing a sword and all you get is a guy's ear – you are bound to get his shoulder swinging up or down. And then one day the thought came to me, the Bible says they were flat on there back, Peter runs over attempting to split the

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man's head open like a melon yet due to his lack of ability using a sword, he misses and only gets an ear. Peter is standing there with his sword and Jesus

stops him from attempting another swing to finish him off. *Then said Jesus unto Peter, Put up thy sword into the sheath:* Jesus says, *the cup which my Father hath given me, shall I not drink it?* This is what Peter and the disciples did not understand. He came the first time to drink that cup of wrath and to suffer for your sins and for mine. He did not come the first time to set up that earthly kingdom. He came the first time to bear the sins of the world in His body on that tree. So He tells Peter to put that sword away.

Now in another account, in Matthew 26, we get this additional information. In verse 52, *Then said Jesus unto him, Put up again thy sword into his place: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword.* I know this verse is quoted for all kinds of things, but you have to keep it in its context. And the context is, "Peter, if you start a fight now, it is going to be a blood bath and you guys are all going to die. Because that mob and that city, they are all going to turn on me within the next day. And then verse 53 says, *Thinkest thou that I cannot now pray to my Father, and he shall presently give me more than twelve legions of angels?* The Lord did not need Peter to fight for Him; or any of His disciples. He could have just as easily brought down the whole army and host of heaven and have slaughtered everybody.

John 18: 12. Then the band and the captain and officers of the Jews took Jesus, and bound him, I would like to say something three things about these soldiers - They are good soldiers carrying out their orders. I would be very reluctant to carry out those orders after just being knocked down flat on my back by something He said. Number two - These men had to of been crazy. The sane response should have been - drop your weapons and get on His side. Repent of anything that you might have done to side with the opposition and get on board with this man. You may not know who He is; you may not know everything about him, but he just knocked you flat your back by speaking a word. He has more power than anyone else. Number three, why did they bind him? They should have gagged him, his weapon is His words.

Notes



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Name

John 17: 1-26

- 1. Give the sense of verse 10 in your own words.
- 2. What does verse 11 teach about eternal security?
- 3. What does verse 11 teach about the world's ability to corrupt us?
- 4. What does verse 11 teach us about the unity of believers?
- 5. Make a list of "I have" and "have I" statements in Chapter 17 and record a paragraph of your impression of that list.
- 6. Who is the son of perdition?

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- 7. Why did Peter have a sword?
- 8. Who else crossed the brook Cedron (Kidron) and what were the similarities of his circumstances to that of Jesus?
- 9. What does falling backwards signify?

10. What does falling backwards suggest about being slain in the spirit? © Copyright kjbscc 2012 John Lesson thirty-two 06/08/2013 19:41 A6/P6



- 11. What is the importance of Christ's answer in verse 5?
- 12. In verse 4 If Jesus knew what was happening, why did He ask "whom seek ye?"
- 13. In verse 1, why did Jesus go to such a familiar place at such a time?
- 14. What was Judas expecting?

15. There are three actions of Jesus in verses 6-11 in relation to the soldiers which show He is in control of the situation, name them. a.

b.

C.

- 16. Why did Peter take such a course of action?
- 17. Define the following terms:a. outside the camp
 - b. Day of atonement
 - c. dark waters

True/false

- Jesus thought the garden was a good hiding spot for those that were seeking to arrest Him.
- When Jesus prayed in the Garden, He prayed for Himself only.
- John 15 and John 17 have nothing in common.



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Scripture memorization verses (write these in KJV on the back of this sheet) John 10:18; Isaiah 50:6; Hebrews 13:12.