

A False Disciple
Matthew 27:1-10
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Main Point:

Judas is an example of a false disciple; learn from him so that you're not found to be one as well.

1. Like Judas, it's possible to be a false disciple.
2. A false disciple has only remorse for his sin, not repentance.
3. A false disciple tries to atone for his sin, rather than bring it to Jesus.
4. A false disciple is condemned for his sin, despite his profession.
5. A false disciple doesn't always have to be a false disciple.

John 6:70-71 ⁷⁰ ... "Did I not choose you, the twelve, and one of you is a devil?" ⁷¹ He spoke of Judas Iscariot, *the son* of Simon, for it was he who would betray Him, being one of the twelve. (NKJV)

Matthew 7:22-23 ²² "Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?' ²³ "And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!' (NKJV)

2 Corinthians 13:5 ⁵ Examine yourselves *as to* whether you are in the faith ... (NKJV)

WSC 87 What is repentance unto life? A. Repentance unto life is a saving grace, whereby a sinner, out of a true sense of his sin, and apprehension of the mercy of God in Christ, doth, with grief and hatred of his sin, turn from it unto God, with full purpose of, and endeavour after, new obedience.

Tim Keller "Both are characterized by very deep sorrow and distress. But they are completely different ... Regret is sorrow over the consequences of the sin, but not over the sin itself. If there had been no consequences, there would have been no sorrow."

Deuteronomy 27:25a ²⁵ 'Cursed is the one who takes a bribe to slay an innocent person.' (NKJV)

Numbers 35:33-34 ³³ 'So you shall not pollute the land where you *are*; for blood defiles the land, and no atonement can be made for the land, for the blood that is shed on it, except by the blood of him who shed it. ³⁴ 'Therefore do not defile the land which you inhabit, in the midst of which I dwell; for I the LORD dwell among the children of Israel.'" (NKJV)

Deuteronomy 21:22-23 ²² "If a man has committed a sin deserving of death, and he is put to death, and you hang him on a tree, ²³ "his body shall not remain overnight on the tree, but you shall surely bury him that day, so that you do not defile the land which the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance; for he who is hanged is accursed of God. (NKJV)

Acts 1:24-25 ²⁴ And they prayed and said, "You, O Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which of these two You have chosen ²⁵ "to take part in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place." (NKJV)

Galatians 3:10, 13 ¹⁰ For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse; for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who does not continue in all things which are written in the book of the law, to do them." ... [But] ¹³ Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree"), (NKJV)