Satan Entered Him

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INTRODUCTION

- He who had been blessed with so much. He who had seen and heard so much. Threw it all away.
- When he had dipped the morsel, he took and gave it to Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot. And after the morsel, Satan then entered into him.
- Why is it that Satan could enter Judas unto his ruin and not do the same with Peter?

1 Satan Entered Him

Matthew 26:24; Luke 22

- Satan entered him. He has already been under the influence of Satan.
- I believe what this text is saying is that at this point, he surrenders completely to the purposes that Satan has for him.
- Jesus has said about him in Matthew chapter 26 and verse 24, it would have been better for this man not to have been born.
- There is something radically different about the heart of Peter and the heart of Judas.
- I believe Jesus could have said of Judas, when you are converted, strengthen your brethren, but he did not possess the heart. But Peter did.

2 Satan Does Not Understand What God Is Doing

1 Corinthians 2:7–9; 1 Peter 1:12; Revelation 12

- Satan himself does not grasp or understand what God is doing.
- If the rulers of this age had understood, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.
- It had to be shrouded in mystery. Because even the devil had to be on the outside looking in.
- The fact that Satan entered him to betray the Lord suggests that even Satan at this time does not understand what's going on, and that he still has his intention to try to thwart God's plan.
- He bruised his heel, but Jesus bruised him on the head.

3 A Horrible Warning: A Carnal Fixation

John 12:6; Philippians 2:3

- If I can't be a good example, I'll just have to be a horrible warning. And that's what Judas and so many others are in Scripture.
- Where Satan got his foothold and ultimately destroyed him. He had a carnal fixation.
- John 12, 6 says he used to pilfer. What was put in the money box.
- Jealousy will lead to gossip. It will lead to slander. It will lead to the ruination of someone's good reputation to promote oneself.
- It's not a competition. May the Lord's people never be in a competition with each other.

- There has not been a conflict among the Lord's people that has not been attended by pride.

4 Be Filled With the Spirit

Ephesians 5:18; 1 Corinthians 12:13; Romans 8:16

- Just as Judas was indwelt by Satan to accomplish his purposes, we are to instead be indwelt by the Spirit to surrender to his purposes.
- The Holy Spirit is no more literally inside my body than Satan was literally inside Judas' body.
- Be filled with the Spirit is a command.
- This is not mystical. This isn't about the performance of the miraculous.
- Everything that we are in Christ, we are products of the Holy Spirit.
- Don't be like Judas, a bad example, who was filled with Satan. Be filled with the Spirit.

THE CHALLENGE

With what are you filled? Whose purposes are you seeking?

MY NOTES