

## Judas

"And said unto them, What will ye give me, and I will deliver him unto you? And they covenanted with him for thirty pieces of silver."

Matthew 26:15

Judas, as part of the Twelve, watched Jesus perform many miracles. He heard the simple teachings of Jesus attesting to the truth of the Old Testament Scriptures. He lived for three years in an environment of perfect righteousness. He heard the Savior say, "...one of you shall betray Me...woe to that man...it were better for that man if he had not been born." Still, Judas sold Jesus for thirty pieces of silver.

Many of Christ's followers are like Judas. They have known the Savior for a protracted period of time and witnessed many of His wonderful works. Still, because **they are not content** with the direction Jesus is leading them, they sell Him for personal gain.

Judas sold Jesus for thirty pieces of silver. Judas cheated himself; Jesus is worth far more than thirty pieces of silver. **But you and I know people who, in a moment of passion, sell Jesus for thirty seconds of pleasure!**