

John: Jesus is the Christ # 47  
(Preparing for Parting # 3)

## John 13<sup>18-30</sup>

# Jesus predicts His betrayal

Entering into 4 perspectives on the situation



Children's talk: Heel & toe

## The disciples' perspective

Clueless

Confused

Consternation

## Judas's perspective

Thieve & deceive

Reprieve & leave

Betray & slay

## Satan's perspective

Crush the Christ

Infiltrate the heart

Possess the person

## Jesus's perspective

He knew there was one not chosen – yet He chose him

He knew there was one not clean – yet He washed his feet

He had all things in His hands – yet He was troubled in His spirit

He exposed the plot – yet He kept the culprit hidden

He exposed the person – yet only to one disciple

He validated His plan & person – and sacrificed Himself in the process

## Conclusion

Our perspective



## Questions answered



What does it mean to “lift the heel against someone”?



In our text, who was plotting to lift the heel against who?  
What actually happened in the end?  
How is this foreshadowed at the beginning of the Bible?



In what ways do the disciples seem clueless?  
What reasonable basis do they have for their perspective?



What caused the disciples consternation?  
Was this healthy for them?



Judas sought to thieve & deceive. What evidence is there for this?



Judas was given a reprieve & leave. In what ways?



Judas sought to betray & slay. Why?



What was Satan's purpose in all this?  
What was Satan's method?



What do you see in the paradox: Jesus knew that there was one not chosen – yet He chose him?



What do you see in the paradox: Jesus knew that there was one not clean – yet He washed his feet?



What do you see in the paradox: Jesus had all things in His hands – yet He was troubled in His spirit?



Why do you think Jesus kept the identity of his betrayer hidden except to one of His disciples?



In what way does this whole matter validate Jesus's plan and person?



## Something to pray about (and follow through with)



How can you have self-doubt and assurance at the same time?  
Is this your own experience? Have you talked to anyone about this?