

“THAT’S ODD!”

JOHN 13:21-30

Since life overflows with such paradoxes, it should not surprise that the Bible includes ironies. John 13 recounts one of the more recognizable narratives as Jesus washes the feet of His disciples. The Creator stoops before the created. The Holy One sanitizes the soles of His unholy ones.

IRONIES IN THE BETRAYAL OF CHRIST

① God is _____ (13:21a)

The One free of _____ sat before His disciples encumbered with _____.

② Signing Your _____ Sentence (13:21b)

Speaking the truth will cost you something.

③ Choosing Your _____ (13:21c)

Each of these dozen men responded to this call from Jesus: Come and follow Me.

④ Missing the _____ (13:22)

We quickly point the finger at the _____ instead of first examining how the _____ has crept into us.

⑤ Divine _____ (13:23, 25a)

The verse does not inform us that He _____ all of them, just this one.

The beloved John is linked directly to the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus.

⑥ Unwilling to _____ (13:24)

_____ is not a position that’s comfortable and yet, it is a position that God counsels us (Isaiah 40:31).

⑦ Communion with _____ (13:25b-26)

How blessed we truly are that His blood covers all our sins and extends to any sinner who believes on Him.

⑧ Open Door for _____ (13:27)

As if the door isn’t open enough, Jesus takes it off its hinges for _____.

⑨ State of _____ (13:28-29)

They try to figure out horizontally what vertical truth He has just shared with them.

⑩ _____ Isn’t Bliss (13:30)

CONCLUSION

No one is immune to waywardness and even unbelief in his Christian journey. Do not drop your guard as you follow His footsteps. Do not put your walk on cruise control as you coast through a season.

Believers are given the mind of Christ and sealed with the Spirit of God. Use these amazing resources to not simply let the Word of God touch you, but to penetrate you.