

SUNDAY, APRIL 29, 2018

MORNING MESSAGE

“The Hour of Darkness”

Luke 22:47-53

INTRODUCTION

- A. The word “darkness” is found over 40 times in the New Testament
 - 1. Sometimes it refers to physical darkness
 - a. Matthew 27:45, “Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour”
 - 2. Sometimes it refers to intellectual darkness
 - a. Romans 2:19, “And art confident that thou thyself art a guide of the blind, a light of them which are in darkness”
 - 3. Sometimes it refers to spiritual darkness
 - a. Acts 26:18, “To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins”
- B. This was “the hour of darkness”
 - 1. There was physical darkness
 - a. It was late on a Thursday
 - 2. There was intellectual darkness
 - a. The disciples of Jesus were still in hopes of a an earthly kingdom
 - 3. There was spiritual darkness
 - a. Satan had entered into Judas Iscariot
- I. THE BETRAYAL IN THE DARKNESS (vv.47-48)
 - A. The arrival of the multitude (v.47a)
 - B. The action of Judas (vv.47b-48)
- II. THE BATTLE IN THE DARKNESS (vv.49-51)
 - A. The misunderstanding of the disciples (v.49)
 - B. The mistake of Peter (v.50)
 - C. The miracle of Jesus (v.51)
- III. THE BENDING IN THE DARKNESS (vv.52-53)
 - A. The sermon to the crowd (vv.52-53a)
 - B. The surrender to the cross (v.53b)