



# AN *Overcoming* HOPE

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**The Thread of Betrayal Through the Fabric of Mission**  
Mark 14:1-52

## The passion of Jesus explained for what it accomplished.

### 1. Jesus removed our sin & guilt at the cross.

*Col. 2:13* And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, 14 by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.

### 2. Simultaneously He vanquished Satan & death at the cross.

*Col. 2:15* He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

### 3. Thus, we find our reconciliation with God in Christ alone.

*2Cor. 5:19* that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. . . . 21 For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

## The passion of Jesus explained as part of history. Mark 14:1-52

### 1. The forces of evil fight to destroy the Son of God.

- a. The religious establishment seeks the best way to kill Jesus (1-2).
- b. Judas Iscariot provides the best way to capture Jesus (10-11).
- c. Jesus reveals that the betrayer is among the twelve (17-21).
- d. The kiss of betrayal (43-52)!

### 2. The Son of God submits to destroy the forces of evil.

- a. Jesus relates an act of beauty to His gruesome death (3-9).
- b. Jesus gives instructions for Passover meal (10-16).
- c. Jesus connects the final Supper to His coming death (22-25).
- d. Jesus predicts their horrific abandonment – but with hope (26-31).
- e. Jesus suffers the anticipation of the cross – alone (32-42).
- f. Jesus refuses to thwart His betrayal & arrest (43-52).

## The passion of Jesus explained as the revelation of the heart of God.

### 1. Jesus' love for the Father drove Him to the cross.

*John 6:38 For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me.*

*John 14:31a but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father.*

### 2. Jesus' love for humanity drove Him to the cross.

*John 15:13 Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.*

*Eph. 5:2 And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.*

## Discussion & Reflection Questions

1. Read Colossians 2:13-14 a few times. Put into your own words the different ways that Paul describes our forgiveness. What do you like best of all that he says in these two verses?
  - a. Have you ever NOT felt forgiven as a believer? What are some ways you have overcome this to feel the freedom of forgiveness?
  - b. What is the significance of the final sentence: "This he set aside, nailing it to the cross"?
2. Note Colossians 2:15. Paul uses three action words: disarmed, put to open shame and triumphing. What do you understand Paul to be saying? Why is this description so closely connected to the reality of forgiveness (13-14)? What is this triumph so important to the follower of Jesus?
3. The historical account of Jesus' betrayal and arrest as recorded in Mark 14:1-52 presents two threads of thought – the forces of evil seeking to destroy the Son of God and the Son's submission to the Father that leads to the destruction of the forces of evil. Which of the events listed under these two points most stand out to you? Why?
4. Note the verses listed under the points related to Jesus' love for both the Father and for humanity. What does this tell you about the heart of God as seen in Jesus' passion? How important is this truth of divine love? How does it make you feel about yourself and the God who loves you this much?

## SONGS

"God So Loved" – Andrew Bergthold, Ed Cash, Franni Cash, Martin Cash, and Scott Cash

"This Is Amazing Grace" – Josh Farro, Jeremy Riddle, and Phil Wickham

"O Praise The Name (Anástasis)" – Dean Ussher, Marty Sampson, and Benjamin Hastings

"Jesus We Love You" – Hannah McClure, Kalley Heiligenthal, and Paul McClure

## BUDGET

GIVING LAST WEEK: \$41,794.00

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