

John 12:1-11

## THE MEANEST MAN ON EARTH - AND HIS DREADEFUL END

### (1). "The Worst Moment in the Meanest Man's Life"

Intro:- (1). Tonight tell story of awful man..perhaps worst ever lived. Didn't look like it..sure of that bec. nobody knew..even guessed..to very end of life. Went to church..held offices..on board..preached..BUT MEANEST EVER LIVED. ever murdered anybody..held up bank..wasted money like prodigal son..Thrifty..careful..business head..yet meanest.

(2). What is mean man like? Not just fellow who hangs on to own money..squeezing, grasping, clutching, covetous old sinner..MISER. But meanest person on earth..one who takes what belongs to someone else..in sly, underhanded way..covers up..hides..smiles sweetly..pretends be godly. ? If any here like that..God marks you as meanest person here. But not in Bible Camp?? Not too sure. Listen first....story.

I. Long ago in city called Kerioth..baby boy born..Heb. home

(a). Fine lad..strong..bright..gave name means "Praised". Ev'body spoke well..Doc.."Fine baby"..Grandma.."Little dear" Mother "my darling". Dad.."Fine son I've got here".

Grew up..school..whiz at mathematics..add, subtract, keep accounts..keen eye for trade..headed for success in life. Y.

(b). One day..saw crowd..around preacher on street..went listen..drawn to Man in centre..attracted bec. evid. leader. Success! Per. make money in partnership..THEN preacher began point.."Want you..you..you..gathered out..Peter, James, John Thomas, Bartholomew, Simon....and then this man..JUDAS!

(c). Others soon recog. talents..John 13:29..Treasurer. All money collected into his bag. Belonged to Jesus and His disciples..but Judas carried, cared for..used it.

II. Now listen to story of his awful meanness.

(a). Read story in John 12:1-6. THIEF..Mean sneak-thief! Kept putting in own pocket..little at time..own use..invest. Until one day..selfish lust for money..and all it would buy Matt.26:14-16. About \$15.00. And at last led to Gethsemane Meanest man who ever lived..traitor..thief..cheater..liar.

(b). NOW GOING SAY SOMETHING DREADEFUL..HORRIBLE..BUT TRUE.

You may be very like Judas! Not treasurer. YES. You carry the bag..treasure L.J. given you to hold <sup>SKIN</sup> His, but given you any of you saved..redeemed..Jesus bought you. Whose are you HIS! And ev. day pours into you treasure! LIFE..BREATH..FOOD..ENERGY..STRENGTH..TALENT..TIME..and some MONEY. Expect you use for Him..bec He owns it. What doing with it? You have one life..just one..no more..no turning back..Meanest X'n is one who dips in bag.."For me..not Him". Where end? Some day.."Devil..what give if sell out..quit living for God altogether?" He will have offer ready..attractive bait..and

you can become sight fill devils with glee..make angels weep!  
BACKSLIDER! Not fit live. Judas hanged self..not worth keep.  
Don't blame God if He takes away something..even life..~~(aft moss)~~

YOU ~~DO~~ CAN REACH PEACE - LIFE USELESS - NOT WORTH LIVING

Conclus:- 1. How avoid being Judas..one of meanest persons on earth? Tell you quickly. GIVE YOUR LIFE TO GOD..COMPLETELY. DO IT RIGHT NOW..IN DEPTHS OF HEART. And then confirm that every morning as soon as get up..Many of you have said.. "I am Christ's..God's child". Now add one other word..Listen:- Paul on ship..storm..Acts 27:23.."Whose I am..and whom I SERVE". If do that..stick with it..insist on it..challenge devil with it..NEVER CHEAT L.J..like Judas did. God help you do it. Illus:- Collection plate..little boy..no money..but when plate came..took it..on ground..stepped in. Gave himself..body..life.  
2. Perhaps still some of you in camp..never yet come to Jesus. Not yet able say "I am His". Time you did. Going fast. This camp be over soon. "Come when like". No. You will come when God likes..when He speaks..stirs..melts heart..convicts of sin. Come now.

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