

Divine Election and the Activity of Satan

John 13:18-30



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John 6:68-71

- But Simon Peter answered Him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Also we have come to believe and know that You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus answered them, "Did I not choose you, the twelve, and one of you is a devil?" He spoke of Judas Iscariot, *the son* of Simon, for it was he who would betray Him, being one of the twelve.


Characteristics the 11 believing apostles had in common

- All of them had a genuine concern for Jesus
- All of them understood Jesus was the Messiah, the one who God had promised to rule His kingdom
- All of them did not have a complete understanding of the Scriptures (they did not believe the resurrection when it happened)
- None of them was lost, even though everyone fled and one denied knowing Jesus.
- All of them experienced a state of blessedness as objects of God's favor

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John 1:11-12

- He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:
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Jesus experiences emotional distress

- **John 11:33** Therefore, when Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her weeping, He groaned in the spirit and was **troubled**.
- **John 12:27** " Now My soul is **troubled**, and what shall I say? 'Father, save Me from this hour'? But for this purpose I came to this hour.

Matthew 26:21-22

- Now as they were eating, He said, "Assuredly, I say to you, one of you will betray Me." And they were exceedingly sorrowful, and each of them began to say to Him, "Lord, is it I?"

Matthew 26:25

- Then Judas, who was betraying Him, answered and said, "Rabbi, is it I?" He said to him, "You have said it."

John 13:1-2

- Now before the feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour had come that He should depart from this world to the Father, **having loved His own** who were in the world, He loved them to the end. And supper being ended, **the devil** having already **put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son,** to betray Him,

John 13:10-11

- Jesus said to him, "He who is bathed needs only to wash *his* feet, but is completely clean; and you are clean, but not all of you." For He knew who would betray Him; therefore He said, "You are not all clean."

1 John 5:19


- We know that we are of God, and the whole world lies *under the sway* of the wicked one.



2 Corinthians 4:3-4

- But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

Mark 4:14-15

- "The sower sows the word. And these are the ones by the wayside where the word is sown. When they hear, Satan comes immediately and takes away the word that was sown in their hearts.
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Acts 13:8-10

- But Elymas the sorcerer (for so his name is translated) withstood them, seeking to turn the proconsul away from the faith. Then Saul, who also *is called* Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked intently at him and said, "O full of all deceit and all fraud, *you* son of the devil, *you* enemy of all righteousness, will you not cease perverting the straight ways of the Lord?"

Satanic influence on believers

- **James 4:7** Therefore submit to God.
Resist the devil and he will flee from you.
- **Acts 5:3** But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and keep back *part* of the price of the land for yourself?"

Ephesians 4:25-27

- Therefore, putting away lying, "*Let each one of you speak truth with his neighbor,*" for we are members of one another. "**Be angry, and do not sin**": do not let the sun go down on your wrath, **nor give place to the devil.**

1 Corinthians 7:5

- Do not deprive one another except with consent for a time, that you may give yourselves to fasting and prayer; and come together again so that Satan does not tempt you because of your lack of self-control.

Ephesians 4:17-20

- This I say, therefore, and testify in the Lord, that you should no longer walk as the rest of the Gentiles walk, in the futility of their mind, having their understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God, because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart; who, being past feeling, have given themselves over to lewdness, to work all uncleanness with greediness. But you have not so learned Christ,

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- He warns everyone about their sin (John 13:26-30)

Genesis 4:6-7

- So the LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry? And why has your countenance fallen? If you do well, will you not be accepted? **And if you do not do well, sin lies at the door.** And its desire *is* for you, but you should rule over it."

1 Peter 5:8-9

- Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. Resist him, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world.

2 Timothy 2:19

- Nevertheless the solid foundation of God stands, having this seal: "The Lord knows those who are His," and, "Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity."

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