

DEALING WITH DISAPPOINTMENT

The Gospel

“Early in the morning, all the chief priests and the elders of the people made their plans how to have Jesus executed. So they bound him, led him away and handed him over to Pilate the governor. When Judas, who had betrayed him, saw that Jesus was condemned, he was seized with remorse and returned the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders. “I have sinned,” he said, “for I have betrayed innocent blood.” “What is that to us?” they replied. “That’s your responsibility.” So Judas threw the money into the temple and left. Then he went away and hanged himself.”

Matthew 27: 1-5

Self-disappointment can quickly / easily lead to self-destruction

Peter runs **to** God: this is **the gospel!!!**

Matthew 26:69-75

Distance -> Denial -> Disappointment

Jesus made a way for sinners to be saved AND believers to be receivers of God's grace.

Discussion Questions:

1. Whenever you are disappointed in yourself, how do you most-often deal with it?
2. Understand that Judas was not condemned to hell because he committed suicide... he was condemned already (just like every one of us were/are today, as Jesus teaches in john3:16-18). The reason Judas will be apart from God for all of eternity is because he never turned to God and trusted God to save his soul. What do you think about this?
3. Jesus Christ died for every one of our past, present, and future sins. Jesus Christ rose from the grave 3 days later for our justification and so that we could have eternal life. What are some ways that you can apply this gospel to your life during times of self-disappointment?