Children's Resources – Sunday 14th June 2020

Matthew 26: 14-25

¹⁴Then one of the twelve, whose name was Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests ¹⁵ and said, "What will you give me if I deliver him over to you?" And they paid him thirty pieces of silver. ¹⁶ And from that moment he sought an opportunity to betray him.

"Now on the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Where will you have us prepare for you to eat the Passover?" ¹⁸ He said, "Go into the city to a certain man and say to him, 'The Teacher says, My time is at hand. I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples." ¹⁹ And the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover.

When it was evening, he reclined at table with the twelve. And as they were eating, he said, "Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me." And they were very sorrowful and began to say to him one after another, "Is it I, Lord?" He answered, "He who has dipped his hand in the dish with me will betray me. The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born." Judas, who would betray him, answered, "Is it I, Rabbi?" He said to him, "You have said so."

Introduction

Who would you say are your best friends?

Maybe you have 1 or 2, or you could have many people you can think of as your best friends!

One of the most important parts about being a friend is that you can trust them. That means you can tell them things or share toys and trust that they won't harm you or tell others.

In today's story Jesus tells his disciples, the 12 men who were his friends and followed Him, that one of them will betray Him.

That means that one of them will break the trust. They will share information about Jesus that will hurt Him.

In fact, this person was going to tell people who wanted to harm and kill Jesus, where Jesus was.

Story

Jesus had 12 disciples – can you remember any of their names?

Well one of them was called Judas, Judas Iscariot.

There were a group of men called the chief priests who didn't like Jesus and wanted to get rid of them.

One day Judas went to these men and agreed that he would lead them to Jesus, so they could capture him and in return Judas got 30 pieces of silver.

Judas was going to betray Jesus.

At this time it was the Passover, a special time when people remembered the Passover at the time of Moses, when the Israelites' firstborn children were spared.

When Jesus and the disciples were eating their Passover meal, Jesus said that one of them was going to betray Him.

They all began to wonder who it would be.

Judas said, 'Is it I Rabbi?' (Rabbi means teacher) and Jesus said 'You have said so.'

Isn't it so sad that Judas betrayed Jesus and all for just 30 pieces of silver?

Ultimately God used the plan to betray Jesus for good. As Jesus died and rose to life again to save us from our sins- for this we are very very thankful!

The most important thing in our lives is to put our trust in Jesus. That by saying we trust in Him and believing it in our hearts, that we can have our sins forgiven and Jesus as our King.

If we love Jesus, we should love those around us too, our friends and family. We should be good friends who are trustworthy and do not do harm to our friends.

Let us talk to God.

<u>Prayer</u>

Father God,

We thank you that even in this sad story about Judas betraying Jesus, that ultimately You used this so that we can have our sins forgiven through Jesus.

We pray that each one of us would love and trust in Jesus for salvation.

We ask that you would help us to be loving friends, who are trustworthy and kind.

In Jesus' name,

Amen

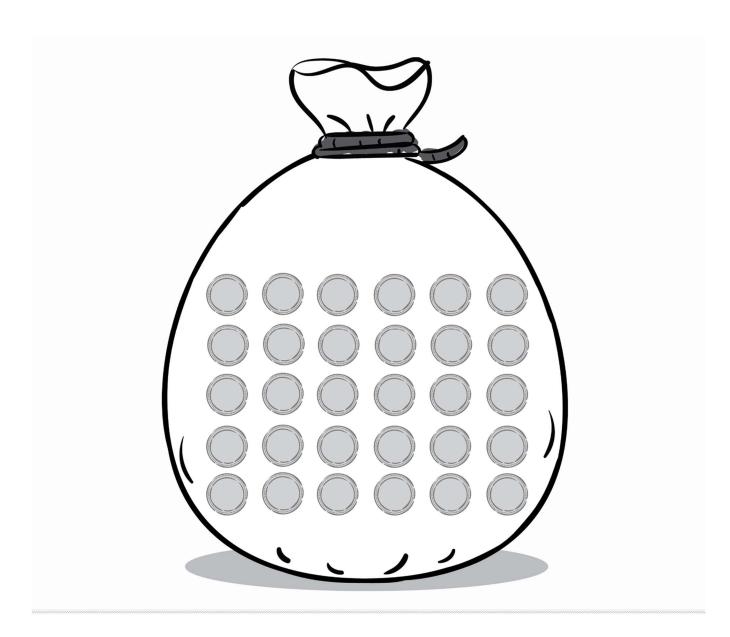
Activities

- 1. Pieces of Silver colouring sheet
- 2. Wordsearch on Salvation

Pieces of Silver

Count the number of coins in the bag to discover how much Judas was given to betray Jesus.

Colour in the picture.



Salvation

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