

Where's Your Chair?

Mark 14:12-21



'My times are in your hand; deliver me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.
Psalm 31:15

Praising:

How deep the Father's love
for us,
how vast beyond all measure,
that he should give his only Son
to make a wretch his treasure!
How great the pain of
searing loss:
the Father turns his face away
as wounds which mar the
chosen one
bring many sons to glory!

Reading:

Mark 14:12-21
One of the Twelve

One of you is about to sell me
down the river but I'm not telling
you which one. It could be that
Christ is giving Judas one last
opportunity to reconsider his
decision and change his mind.
Certainly Jesus doesn't mince his
words about the fate that awaits

his betrayer. Not that Christ was
hoping to scare Judas out of
betraying him necessarily, but in
terms of the consequences of his
actions, perhaps Jesus felt that
Judas was not in full possession
of the facts. Of course another
possibility is that Jesus wants to
show his disciples that as much
as he loves them and loves to be
with them – and to eat with them
above all – he knows they are
weak. He knows they are capable
of denial. But he also knows one
of them is capable of treachery.

Listening:

Praying:

We think of people

- who have been maltreated or
abused or cast aside by those
they trusted
- who have left homes and
families for false promises of
work, money or opportunities
- who have been deliberately
defrauded out of savings,
property and security

Father: when I think bitterly of the
people who have let me down or
been less than loyal to me, show
me the moments when I have
done the same to Christ, and
then forgive me. Amen

Doing: