

# Where's Your Chair?

Wednesday in  
Holy Week



Let those who seek my life be put to shame and confusion;  
let them be turned back and disgraced who wish me evil.  
Psalm 70:2

## **Praising:**

Who was the guilty? Who brought  
this upon thee?

Alas, my treason, Jesu, hath  
undone thee.

'Twas I, Lord Jesu, I it was  
denied thee:  
I crucified thee.

## **Reading:**

John 13:21-32  
Judas

Judas did not start out as a  
disciple with betrayal in mind. Yet  
at some pivotal moment, the  
reasons for turning Jesus over to  
his enemies came to outweigh  
the reasons for continuing to  
follow him. The money must have  
had something to do with it. Since  
Christ consistently dismissed  
calls for him to restore the  
kingdom to Israel, perhaps Jesus  
was also a political

disappointment to Judas. Or, for  
all we know, Judas had some  
more personal axe to grind with  
Jesus. But whoever we are, if we  
think we can't be bought, we're  
probably only kidding ourselves.  
The spiritual hope must be that in  
the strength of God we pull  
ourselves back from the brink.  
Either that, or we must come in  
due course to repent of whatever  
sin has got the better of us.

## **Listening:**

## **Praying:**

When the major temptations of  
life present themselves

- Lord save us from ourselves  
and from thinking we'll be  
strong enough to resist
- Lord open our eyes to the  
seriousness of the  
consequences of giving in
- Lord show us in the cross the  
full cost of the world's deceit,  
greed and jealousy

Father: I'm conscious that some  
bad choices have the power to  
damage my life irreparably. But  
as Judas reminds me, the  
damage I might cause to other  
people could be even worse.  
Amen

## **Doing:**

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