

THE STORY

Sermon Outline
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The Hour of Darkness

Chapter 26 Luke 22:47-53

Luke 22:53 – “Every day I was with you in the temple courts, and you did not lay a hand on me. But this is your hour—**when darkness reigns.**”

When darkness reigns:

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John 13:4-5 - ...so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him.

You know you have a servant's heart when you get treated like one and it doesn't
_____ **you.**

Luke 22:50-51 - And one of them struck the servant of the high priest, cutting off his right ear. But Jesus answered, “No more of this!” And he touched the man's ear and healed him.

Luke 23:42-43 - Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” Jesus answered him, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.”

John 19:26-27 - When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to her, “Woman, here is your son,” and to the disciple, “Here is your mother.” From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

When darkness reigns:

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Prayer reminds us of God's presence.

Luke 22:39-42 - Jesus went out as usual to the Mount of Olives, and his disciples followed him. On reaching the place, he said to them, “Pray that you will not fall into temptation.” He withdrew about a stone's throw beyond them, knelt down and prayed, “Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done.”

The purpose of prayer is not as much about getting our will done in heaven as it is about getting God's will done on earth.

Too many of us pray as if God's primary objective is to keep us from getting scared.

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John 1:4-5 - In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

Jesus was never at the mercy of the Sanhedrin or even the Roman governor Pilate. He was in complete control of His own _____.

1 Peter 2:24 - “He himself bore our sins” in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; “by his wounds you have been healed.”

What _____ **might you be experiencing?**

It's not always easy to walk through darkness and keep your _____.

God is still at _____, **even in the darkness.**