

What Would You Take For Jesus?

Scripture Reading: *Hebrews 3:7-14*

Introduction:

- A. Judas Iscariot asked, “*What will you give me if I deliver him over to you?*” (*Matt 26:14*)
- B. “*And they paid him thirty pieces of silver.*” (*Matt 26:15*)
 - 1. The equivalent of about four months’ worth of wages (\$7,500) for the common laborer.
 - 2. In the OT, it was the penalty paid for a slave that had been gored by an ox (*Exo. 21:32*).
- C. Judas’ story begs the question of our own selves—**What would I take for Jesus?**

I. The _____ behind those thirty pieces of silver

- A. The power to lead Judas to _____ with godless men (*John 11:45-53*).
- B. The power to help Judas _____ Christ’s warnings (*Matt 26:20-25*).
- C. The power to _____ him to betray innocent blood (*Matt 26:26-56*).

II. The _____ of those thirty pieces of silver (*Matt 27:1-10*)

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- A. They couldn’t _____ what Judas had sold (*Matthew 27:3-4*).
- B. They couldn’t silence Judas’ _____ (*Matthew 27:5*).