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Overcoming Obstacles: Judas



Read the information below. Read the information about Judas. Complete the questions that follow.

An **obstacle** is something that blocks your way or stops your progress. Some obstacles we must overcome include: laziness, lack of strength, fear, following bad advice or bad examples. We can overcome obstacles through prayer, studying the bible, and the support of others.

Judas Iscariot was one of the original **disciples** of **Jesus**. He is found in all four **gospels** of the **New Testament**. He is described as having **betrayed** Jesus for money, then killing himself. He is said to have been the treasurer for the apostles.

Even though he was one of Jesus' disciples, he helped the chief priests arrest Jesus. Then those priests told the **Roman** governor to kill Jesus. The priests paid Judas thirty pieces of **silver** for his help. Later, after feeling very guilty for betraying Jesus, Judas tried to give back the silver. When he was unable to undo what he had done, he committed **suicide**.

At the **Last Supper**, Jesus told his disciples that one of them would betray him. He knew it was Judas.

While Jesus was praying on the **Mount of Olives**, Judas brought the priests and their men to him. Then he kissed Jesus, so that the priests could know who he was. Then the priests took Jesus away to be killed.

After Judas died, the other disciples chose a man named Matthias to take his place as a new disciple in the group of 12.

Choose the correct answer.

- Judas was Jesus' _____.
brother disciple friend
- Judas betrayed Jesus for _____ pieces of silver.
ten twenty thirty
- Judas betrayed Jesus with a _____.
point hug kiss
- Who did Judas work with when he betrayed Jesus?
chief priests sinners other disciples
- How did Judas feel after he had betrayed Jesus?
happy proud sorry
- Which obstacle stopped Judas from living his life's purpose?
greed laziness fear

Read each statement below. Decide if the statement is **true** or **false**.

- _____ If we ask in prayer, God will help us overcome obstacles.
- _____ Sickness and diseases may also be obstacles.
- _____ Quitting because of fear is an example of overcoming obstacles.
- _____ Ignoring your friend's advice to do drugs is an example of overcoming obstacles.