

Weekly Services

Sunday Morning

Bible Study 9:45 AM

Worship 10:45 AM

Sunday Evening 6:00 PM

Wed Bible Study 7:00 PM

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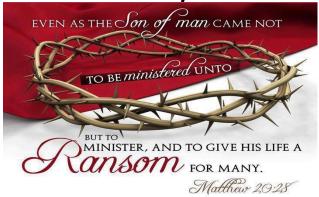
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The Defendant!

Betrayed, deserted, arrested, and on trial for His life, Jesus was having a very bad day. If you were in His sandals, where would you turn for support?

To God? In the garden, Jesus earnestly prayed for his cup of fate might pass from him. God had another plan and basically said "no."

To Peter? Peter assured Jesus that he could count on him for support and loyalty. Then he let Jesus down. In fact, Peter disowned Him with curses.

To Judas? Not hardly, except for a kiss.

To the disciples? They all deserted Jesus and fled. (Matthew 26:56).

To the crowds? They celebrated Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem just a few days earlier but now they were shouting for His death.

To the authorities? Caiaphas ruled, "He deserves death!" (Matthew 26:66). Pilate was just a practical minded people pleaser. The only innocence that concerned him was his own, so he washed his hands.

To the soldiers? They stripped Jesus, mocked him and crowned him with thorns.

A snowball of rejection was rolling over Jesus. His soul was "overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death." (Matthew 26:38). Without a friend in the world and facing judges more thirsty for blood than justice, Jesus held His ground. Better yet, he stayed on mission. And what was that mission? Jesus explained:

"The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." (Matthew 20:28).

How do you handle bad days?

Joel Solliday