

## **The kiss**

**Luke 22:47-48**

**11/1/20**

### **WARM-UP QUESTIONS:**

1. Have you had a friendship that went sour? What happened to create this chasm between you and the other person? How does this impact how you view the time you had spent together before this took place?
2. As you look back, what are some things that have disappointed or discouraged you? How do you usually deal with these realities?

### **REFLECTION QUESTIONS:**

1. To gain context, start reading from Luke 22:39. Our focus is on Jesus' encounter with Judas. Why might Judas be disappointed in Jesus? Think of other examples in the Gospels where other disciples felt similar feelings of frustration, confusion and disappointment. How were their reactions different from Judas? Why might this be so?
2. Pastor Jason provided some possible background for Judas' disappointment (being a zealot hoping for an insurrection against the Roman Empire). How is the Garden incident ironic?
3. What are the common causes of personal disappointment? What do we tend to do to address the gap of disappointment?
4. How was the cross of Jesus the revolution needed then?

### **APPLICATION QUESTIONS:**

1. How do you face situations that are hard to understand? What spiritual practices and resources could you consider to draw on?
2. If you have time, compose your own short reflection or monologue of how you handle disappointment or discouragement. Bring this to God and pray with a friend about it.
3. As we have a momentous national election this week, how can you prepare yourself to deal with the outcome?