

# THE PERSON AND LIFE OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

## Lesson Nine

### THE BETRAYAL AND ARREST OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

Scripture reading: Matt. 26:36-56

#### Burden to Impart:

*This last day of the life of the Lord Jesus while He was in the flesh was one of great suffering. He was betrayed in a cruel way by one of His disciples (His friend: Psalm 41:9; Matt. 26:50) for thirty pieces of silver. He was unjustly arrested, unfairly tried, mistreated, and was crucified even though no fault was found in Him.*

Memory Verse: "Behold, the hour has drawn near, and the Son of Man is delivered up into the hands of sinners" (Matthew 26:45).

#### Facts to Teach:

1. The people's warm and enthusiastic welcome of the King of Israel stirred up the jealousy and envy of the religious leaders of the Jews. Because they wanted the glory and honor of the people, they were jealous of the Lord Jesus and plotted to have Him killed (Matt. 27:18; Mark 15:10). Satan was working his hardest in the hearts of evil men to cause them to do the most wicked crime ever done by fallen mankind; to crucify the sinless and only begotten Son of God.
2. Although Satan and men were working together in their evil plot to have the Lord Jesus killed, He did nothing to stop them. This was because He knew that the hour had come (John 12:27; 13:1; 17:1) for Him to be crucified for the sins of the whole world. He did not try to hide or escape from the hands of those who came to arrest Him, nor did He resist them. He willingly gave Himself over to them when they came to Him, for He had already determined that He would do His Father's will (John 18:11), which was to die on the cross.
3. Judas, one of the twelve Apostles chosen from among many disciples who followed the Lord, was the one who took care of the money people had offered to the Lord (Luke 8:3). He did not love the Lord Jesus, he loved money and he was a thief (John 12:6). His heart was hard toward the Lord, so Satan entered into it (Luke 22:3).
4. Judas secretly made a plot with the chief priests to help them deliver up Jesus to death. They rejoiced and agreed to give him thirty pieces of silver for his evil deed (Matt. 26:15).
5. On the night of the Passover, Jesus and His disciples kept the Passover feast for the last time. This was to be their last dinner together before the Lord Jesus was killed. This was a very special and sweet time together with the Lord Jesus and His twelve disciples. They ate the Passover together, Jesus washed their feet, and He taught them many things they never understood before (John 13 to 17).
6. After they ate the Passover Judas left the disciples and went out to betray Jesus (John 13:30). After the false disciple left, the Lord Jesus established the Lord's supper with the bread and with the wine (Matt. 26:26-28).
7. Jesus then took His disciples to the Mount of Olives to a special garden where He often prayed, Gethsemane. He was so burdened and in such an agony of suffering at that time that an angel came to strengthen Him (Luke 22:43-44). He told His heavenly Father that although He did not want to go to the cross, He did not want to do His own will, but His Father's (Matt. 26:39).

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Songs for Lesson Nine

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Tune: *Hymns*, #1213 (chorus).

C G7  
The Lamb of God is meek,  
C  
The Lamb of God is meek.  
F  
He's very gentle and tenderhearted,  
C G7 C  
The Lamb of God is meek.

*Hymns*, #214; suggested tune: *Hymns*, #104.

G C G D G  
According to Thy gracious word,  
D7  
In meek humility,  
G 7 C Am  
This will I do, my dying Lord,  
G D7 G  
I will remember Thee.

Handwritten musical notation (fingerings) for the first two stanzas of the second hymn.

When to the cross I turn my eyes  
And rest on Calvary,  
O Lamb of God, my sacrifice,  
I must remember Thee.

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## Character Lesson Nine

### *MEEK*

#### Definition:

A meek person is gentle, unresisting, willing to bear opposition, and does not fight for his own way.

#### Examples and/or Questions to Ask the Children:

1. The Lord Jesus was betrayed by Judas, but He did not react to Judas when he brought a great crowd with swords and clubs, but rather, the Lord handed Himself over to them. He meekly gave in to them.
2. When you are playing a game and others insist to play a certain way, you go along with them even though you think your way is better.

#### Verse:

*"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth."* Matthew 5:5

#### Craft Ideas:

1. Have the children make a sign for a door-knob out of poster board.
2. Draw a large lamb and glue cotton for its wool.
3. Put eyes and nose with black marker or black paper.
4. Cut the hole for the door-knob.
5. The children can draw several "z's" to show that the lamb is sleeping and add to it as they wish with further details. See the attached page for pattern.