

**Valley Bible Church
Sermon Notes for June 12, 1988**

**The Traitor's Kiss
Matthew 26:47-56
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Introduction: This passage shows the four (4) spiritual conditions that all people will fall into.

1. Those who openly reject Jesus

Verse 47, Judas “one of the twelve.” Is this a title of honor for Judas or more a statement of shock? How could one who so closely associated with Jesus, who listened to His teaching, reject Him? Judas had premeditated and willfully pursued the betrayal of Jesus.

2. A false disciple

One who outwardly embraces Jesus but inwardly denies Him. Judas was with Jesus, looked like a disciple but was not. The false disciple is hard to detect, impossible for man to detect. The other disciples had no idea Judas was a false disciple. Why did Judas follow Jesus? Not to give his life up to Jesus but to get from Him.

How many profess to be Christians for what they can get out of it? Why the kiss as the sign? Judas is the one who chose this signal. Judas is a deceiver and he is still trying to deceive.