

Grace that is Unconditional

Matthew 27:1-10 & Matthew 26:19-30 (NIV)



The death of Judas

Matthew 27:1-10

“Proximity and access to Jesus will not automatically exclude you from rough times and desperate thoughts.” - Bishop Claude Alexander

Judas is met with indifference at a time of desperation and spiritual distress.

Jesus' posture towards betrayers:

Matthew 26:19-30

Four Observations:

1. Truth about who we are:

As humans we need meaningful social engagement with others who will comfort and care for us in our distress.

2. Truth about who God is:

We can be at our worst and still be unconditionally loved by God.

3. Truth about what we need to do:

We need to validate people's experience of pain and remind them they are not alone.

4. Truth about what God has done:

God reveals his ultimate act of unconditional grace through Jesus Christ.

