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# RE- FLECTING GOD

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John 13:30-38

Betrayal shatters lives. Judas walked with Jesus daily, listened to Him, watched Him interact with people. Then he allowed darkness to obscure his relationship. Thirty pieces of silver enticed and Judas discarded three years of close association and betrayed his Master.

Knowing what Judas intended when he departed the table in the upper room for nighttime darkness, Jesus still gave a startling directive: "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another" (John 13:34).

There are no recriminations from Jesus about what that love will cost Him personally, no anger with thought for revenge, no monologue to those surrounding on the grave injustice that will be done to Him. Instead, the unlikely command: "As I have loved you, so you must love one another."

Love that actively does what is good, no matter the situation; that seeks the best for the other; that is kind and doesn't demand its own way. A forgiving and enduring love.

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