**CHAPTER 22**

*The treason of Judas. The last supper. The first part of the history of the passion.*

**1** Now the feast of unleavened bread, which is called the pasch, was at hand.

**2** And the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might put Jesus to death: but they feared the people.

**3** And Satan entered into Judas, who was surnamed Iscariot, one of the twelve.

**4** And he went, and discoursed with the chief priests and the magistrates, how he might betray him to them.

**5** And they were glad, and covenanted to give him money.

**6** And he promised. And he sought opportunity to betray him in the absence of the multitude.

**7** And the day of the unleavened bread came, on which it was necessary that the pasch should be killed.

**8** And he sent Peter and John, saying: Go, and prepare for us the pasch, that we may eat.

**9** But they said: Where wilt thou that we prepare?

**10** And he said to them: Behold, as you go into the city, there shall meet you a man carrying a pitcher of water: follow him into the house where he entereth in.

**11** And you shall say to the goodman of the house: The master saith to thee, Where is the guest chamber, where I may eat the pasch with my disciples?

**12** And he will shew you a large dining room, furnished; and there prepare.

**13** And they going, found as he had said to them, and made ready the pasch.

**14** And when the hour was come, he sat down, and the twelve apostles with him.

**15** And he said to them: With desire I have desired to eat this pasch with you, before I suffer.

**16** For I say to you, that from this time I will not eat it, till it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God.

**17** And having taken the chalice, he gave thanks, and said: Take, and divide it among you.

**18** For I say to you, that I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, till the kingdom of God come.

**19** And taking bread, he gave thanks, and brake; and gave to them, saying: This is my body, which is given for you. Do this for a commemoration of me.

**20** In like manner the chalice also, after he had supped, saying: This is the chalice, the new testament in my blood, which shall be shed for you.

**21** But yet behold, the hand of him that betrayeth me is with me on the table.

**22** And the Son of man indeed goeth, according to that which is determined: but yet, woe to that man by whom he shall be betrayed.

**23** And they began to inquire among themselves, which of them it was that should do this thing.

**24** And there was also a strife amongst them, which of them should seem to be the greater.

**25** And he said to them: The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and they that have power over them, are called beneficent.

**26** But you not so: but he that is the greater among you, let him become as the younger; and he that is the leader, as he that serveth.

**27** For which is greater, he that sitteth at table, or he that serveth? Is not he that sitteth at table? But I am in the midst of you, as he that serveth:

**28** And you are they who have continued with me in my temptations:

**29** And I dispose to you, as my Father hath disposed to me, a kingdom;

**30** That you may eat and drink at my table, in my kingdom: and may sit upon thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

**31** And the Lord said: Simon, Simon, behold Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat:

**32** But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and thou, being once converted, confirm thy brethren.

**33** Who said to him: Lord, I am ready to go with thee, both into prison, and to death.

**34** And he said: I say to thee, Peter, the cock shall not crow this day, till thou thrice deniest that thou knowest me. And he said to them:

**35** When I sent you without purse, and scrip, and shoes, did you want any thing?

**36** But they said: Nothing. Then said he unto them: But now he that hath a purse, let him take it, and likewise a scrip; and he that hath not, let him sell his coat, and buy a sword.

**37** For I say to you, that this that is written must yet be fulfilled in me: And with the wicked was he reckoned. For the things concerning me have an end.

**38** But they said: Lord, behold here are two swords. And he said to them, It is enough.

**39** And going out, he went, according to his custom, to the mount of Olives. And his disciples also followed him.

**40** And when he was come to the place, he said to them: Pray, lest ye enter into temptation.

**41** And he was withdrawn away from them a stone’s cast; and kneeling down, he prayed,

**42** Saying: Father, if thou wilt, remove this chalice from me: but yet not my will, but thine be done.

**43** And there appeared to him an angel from heaven, strengthening him. And being in an agony, he prayed the longer.

**44** And his sweat became as drops of blood, trickling down upon the ground.

**45** And when he rose up from prayer, and was come to the disciples, he found them sleeping for sorrow.

**46** And he said to them: Why sleep you? arise, pray, lest you enter into temptation.

**47** As he was yet speaking, behold a multitude; and he that was called Judas, one of the twelve, went before them, and drew near to Jesus, for to kiss him.

**48** And Jesus said to him: Judas, dost thou betray the Son of man with a kiss?

**49** And they that were about him, seeing what would follow, said to him: Lord, shall we strike with the sword?

**50** And one of them struck the servant of the high priest, and cut off his right ear.

**51** But Jesus answering, said: Suffer ye thus far. And when he had touched his ear, he healed him.

**52** And Jesus said to the chief priests, and magistrates of the temple, and the ancients, that were come unto him: Are ye come out, as it were against a thief, with swords and clubs?

**53** When I was daily with you in the temple, you did not stretch forth your hands against me: but this is your hour, and the power of darkness.

**54** And apprehending him, they led him to the high priest’s house. But Peter followed afar off.

**55** And when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the hall, and were sitting about it, Peter was in the midst of them.

**56** Whom when a certain servant maid had seen sitting at the light, and had earnestly beheld him, she said: This man also was with him.

**57** But he denied him, saying: Woman, I know him not.

**58** And after a little while, another seeing him, said: Thou also art one of them. But Peter said: O man, I am not.

**59** And after the space, as it were of one hour, another certain man affirmed, saying: Of a truth, this man was also with him; for he is also a Galilean.

**60** And Peter said: Man, I know not what thou sayest. And immediately, as he was yet speaking, the cock crew.

**61** And the Lord turning looked on Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, as he had said: Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice.

**62** And Peter going out, wept bitterly.

**63** And the men that held him, mocked him, and struck him.

**64** And they blindfolded him, and smote his face. And they asked him, saying: Prophesy, who is it that struck thee?

**65** And blaspheming, many other things they said against him.

**66** And as soon as it was day, the ancients of the people, and the chief priests and scribes, came together; and they brought him into their council, saying If thou be the Christ, tell us.

**67** And he saith to them: If I shall tell you, you will not believe me.

**68** And if I shall also ask you, you will not answer me, nor let me go.

**69** But hereafter the Son of man shall be sitting on the right hand of the power of God.

**70** Then said they all: Art thou then the Son of God? Who said: You say that I am.

**71** And they said: What need we any further testimony? for we ourselves have heard it from his own mouth.