



**Judas: How to Handle Betrayal**  
**March 20-21, 2021**

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**How to Handle Betrayal:**

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**Two Realities of Betrayal:**

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**Proverbs 19:5 (ESV)**
- **God never lets us get away with** \_\_\_\_\_.  
**Mark 11:25 (ESV)**

**2** \_\_\_\_\_ money and material wealth \_\_\_\_\_ more to them than people.

**John 12:5-6 (ICB)**

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**Matthew 26:14-16 (ICB)**

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**Matthew 26:48-49 (ICB)**

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