<u>Title</u>: Judas the Ultimate Poser! (2/4/18)

Text: (John 12:21-30)

He was Good as fooling people:

(Acts 1:17) For he was numbered with us, and had obtained part of this ministry.

He knew how to fly under the Radar. He knew the language. How not attract attention when ignoring the sermon.

(Ps 41:9) *Yea*,

mine own familiar friend: ~ Familiar = Close
in whom I trusted, He earned their Trust
which did eat of my bread, ~He lived with them.
hath lifted up his heel against me. Backstabber

He was Jesus' Apostle

(Matt 10:2a, 4) Simon the Canaanite, and **JUDAS** Iscariot, who also betrayed him. (Mk 3:14, 19) (Lk 6:13, 16)

He was good at sounding Spiritual: (Jn 12:3-5)

He was Jesus' Treasurer

(John 12:6) This he said, not that he cared for the poor; but because he was a thief, and <u>had the bag</u>, and bare what was put therein.

(John 13:29) For some of them thought, because **JUDAS** had the bag, that Jesus had said unto him, Buy those things that we have need of against the feast; or, that he should give something to the poor. **Who do you trust with YOUR Money?**

He was Jesus' Betrayer

(Matt 26:14-16) Then one of the twelve, called **JUDAS** Iscariot, went unto the chief priests, And said unto them, What will ye give me, and I will deliver him unto you? And they covenanted with him for thirty pieces of silver. And from that time he sought opportunity to betray him.

He fooled everyone but Jesus: (John 13:21-30)

Things that showed he was a Poser:

He Coveted Things: (John 12:6) (Matt 6:24) Cannot serve God & Money

His Heart Wasn't Right: (Lost)

(Matt 26:24-25) The Son of man goeth as it is written of him: but woe unto that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed! it had been good for that man if he had not been born. 25 Then Judas, which betrayed him, answered and said, Master, is it I? He said unto him, Thou hast said.

Really? You can say that to His Face.

(Lk 22:3) Then entered Satan into Judas surnamed Iscariot, being of the number of the twelve.

He stood with the those that opposed God: (Jn18:2-5) 2 And JUDAS also, which betrayed him, knew the place: for Jesus ofttimes resorted thither with his disciples.

3 **JUDAS** then, having received a band of men and officers from the chief priests and Pharisees, cometh thither with lanterns and torches and weapons.
5 They answered him, Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus saith unto them, I am he. And **JUDAS** also, which betrayed him, **stood with them.**

Do you Stand up for Jesus?

Are you ashamed of Jesus? (Luke 9:26) 26 For whosoever shall be ASHAMED of me and of my words, of him shall the Son of man be ASHAMED, when he shall come in his own glory, and in his Father's, and of the holy angels.

Are you a Poser? You know the Christian Lingo. You know how to avoid attracting Attention during the Sermon so no calls you out.

You know how to sneak Instagram during the service. Are you the one looking for a reason to sneak off to the Restroom, rather than face the Holy Spirit's Conviction?

Are You a Poser?

The Testimony of Judas Iscariot:

(Acts 1:25) That he may take part of this ministry and apostleship, from which Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place. He went to Hell.

What is your Testimony?

<u>Definition</u>: the statement or declaration of a witness under oath or affirmation, usually in court.

A Testimony is a telling of what was witnessed or experienced 1st hand!

Open declaration or profession of one's faith

(Rom 1:8) First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for you all, that your faith is spoken of throughout the whole world.

<u>Verbal Testimony</u>- (Acts 9:1-9) Paul's Testimony! (Acts 22:1-) The Jews at Jerusalem (Acts 26:9) - King Agrippa & Festus the Governor.

(Psa 51:12-13) Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit. Then will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

We relive our testimony every time we tell it. (Acts 14:3) Long time therefore abode they speaking boldly in the Lord, which gave testimony unto the

word of his grace, and granted signs and wonders to be done by their hands.

(John 3:32) And what he hath seen and heard, that he testifieth; and no man receiveth his testimony. They didn't believe Jesus, don't be surprised if they don't believe you either.

Visible Testimony

- Evidenced by our manner of living

(Heb 11:1-2) Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. For by it the elders obtained a good report.

(John 3:33) He that hath received his testimony hath set to his seal that God is true.

The Greatest Testimony is A Change in us:

(Mat 8:4) And Jesus saith unto him, See thou tell no man; but **go thy way, show** thyself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, **for a testimony unto them**.

(Luke 5:14) And he charged him to tell no man: but **go, and show** thyself to the priest, and offer for thy cleansing, according as Moses commanded, **for a testimony unto them.**

(2 Cor 1:12) For our rejoicing is this, the testimony of our conscience, that in simplicity and godly sincerity,

not with fleshly wisdom, but by the grace of God, we have had our conversation in the world, and more abundantly to you-ward. Their testimony of what they believed was evidenced by how they lived.

God's Justice will be True: God cannot be fooled! (Mat 10:18) And ye shall be brought before governors and kings for my sake, for a testimony against them and the Gentiles.

(Mark 13:9) But take heed to yourselves: for they shall deliver you up to councils; and in the synagogues ye shall be beaten: and ye shall be brought before rulers and kings for my sake, for a testimony against them.

(Mark 6:11) And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear you, when ye depart thence, shake off the dust under your feet **for a testimony against them**. Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Sodom and Gomorrha in the day of judgment, than for that city.

(Luke 9:5) And whosoever will not receive you, when ye go out of that city, shake off the very dust from your feet **for a testimony against them.**

(Luke 21:13) And it shall turn to you for a testimony. This gives you a chance to share with others!

What is your Testimony? Hand out the sheet? ***

Is there a Change in you? Are you a Poser?

Do you look for any excuse to avoid spiritual things? Do you play around on your phone than listen?

What if I asked your friend to fallout the Testimony Sheet for you?

Would they say you are poser? Would they say you have a heart for God? Would they be able to document a change in you?

God's Final Testimony of us:

(Acts 13:22) And when he had removed him, he raised up unto them David to be their king; to whom also he gave testimony, and said, I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfil all my will.

(Mat 25:21) His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.