

## **Betrayal and Desertion**

**Mark 14:43-52**



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### **Introduction:**

## **I. THE PLOT (vs. 43-44)**

### **A. The Composition of the Crowd (vs. 43)**

“Immediately while He was still speaking...”

“Judas, one of the twelve, came up...”

“accompanied by a crowd with swords and clubs”

“who were from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders.”

### **B. The Treachery of the Traitor (vs. 44)**

“Now he who was betraying Him had given them a signal, saying...”

“ ‘Whomever I kiss, He is the one; seize Him and lead Him away under guard.’ ”

## **II. THE PROSECUTION (vs. 45-52)**

### **A. The Betrayer’s Kiss (vs. 45-46)**

“After coming, Judas immediately went to Him, saying, ‘Rabbi!’ and kissed Him.”

vs. 44 - *phileo*

vs. 45 - *kataphileo*

“They laid hands on Him and seized Him.”

B. The Momentary Glitch (vs. 47)

“But one of those who stood by drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his ear.”

C. The Bold Challenge (vs. 48-49)

“And Jesus said to them, ‘Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest Me, as you would against a robber?’ ”

“ ‘Every day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not seize Me...’ ”

“ ‘but this has taken place to fulfill the Scriptures.’ ”

D. The Sad Desertion (vs. 50)

“And they all left Him and fled.”

E. The Strange Episode (vs. 51-52)

“A young man was following Him, wearing nothing but a linen sheet over his naked body; and they seized him.”

“But he pulled free of the linen sheet and escaped naked.”

**Conclusion:** Lessons from the characters and events in this narrative...

- 1) Don't retreat.
- 2) Don't despair.
- 3) Don't go silent.