

John 13:118-38 II Stricken, Smitten & Afflicted II Walt Alexander

"Now the Gospels were written to make us acquainted with Christ. His ways, His manners, His feelings, His wisdom, His grace, His patience, His love, His power are graciously unfolded to us by four different witnesses. Ought not the sheep to be familiar with the Shepherd? Ought not the patient to be familiar with the Physician? Ought not the bride to be familiar with the Bridegroom? Ought not the sinner to be familiar with the Savior? Beyond doubt it ought be so. Surely we cannot know this Christ too well! Surely there is not a work, nor a deed, nor a day, nor a step, nor a thought in the record of His life, which ought not to be precious to us. We should labor to be familiar with every line that is written about Jesus." **J.C. Ryle**

MAIN POINT: It is necessary for Jesus to suffer, but let none of us who follow him fall away.

1. The Betrayal of Judas. (v.18-30)

And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. **John 3:19-20**

2. The Glory of Jesus. (v. 31-35)

3. The Failure of Peter. (v. 36-38)

"On the night of Jesus' arrest, Peter was willing to kill for Christ but not to die for him. LESSON: There's a type of counterfeit faithfulness that's willing to "kill" for Christ, but not willing to die for him." **Josh Howerton**