

## The One Jesus Loved Loved By Choice

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<sup>18</sup> “I am not referring to all of you; I know those I have chosen. But this is to fulfill this passage of Scripture: ‘He who shared my bread has turned against me.’ **John 13:18, NIV**

<sup>4</sup> For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love <sup>5</sup> he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will— <sup>6</sup> to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves. **Ephesians 1:4-6, NIV**

You are a child of God by God's \_\_\_\_\_. This truth is meant to be a \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>19</sup> “I am telling you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe that I am who I am. <sup>20</sup> Very truly I tell you, whoever accepts anyone I send accepts me; and whoever accepts me accepts the one who sent me.” **John 13:19-20, NIV**

<sup>3</sup> This is good, and pleases God our Savior, <sup>4</sup> who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup> For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who gave himself as a ransom for all people. **1 Timothy 2:3-6, NIV**

There is \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus wants more than for you to believe in him as your \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>21</sup> After he had said this, Jesus was troubled in spirit and testified, “Very truly I tell you, one of you is going to betray me.” <sup>22</sup> His disciples stared at one another, at a loss to know which of them he meant. <sup>23</sup> One of them, the disciple whom Jesus loved, was reclining next to him. <sup>24</sup> Simon Peter motioned to this disciple and said, “Ask him which one he means.” **John 13:21-24, NIV**

<sup>37</sup> “Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, and you were not willing. **Matthew 23:37, NIV**

Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ to gather us to himself. However, though he is all-powerful, he will never \_\_\_\_\_ himself on us.

<sup>26</sup> Jesus answered, “It is the one to whom I will give this piece of bread when I have dipped it in the dish.” Then, dipping the piece of bread, he gave it to Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot. <sup>27</sup> As soon as Judas took the bread, Satan entered into him. So Jesus told him, “What you are about to do, do quickly.” <sup>28</sup> But no one at the meal understood why Jesus said this to him. <sup>29</sup> Since Judas had charge of the money, some thought Jesus was telling him to buy what was needed for the festival, or to give something to the poor. <sup>30</sup> As soon as Judas had taken the bread, he went out. And it was night. **John 13:26-30, NIV**

<sup>26</sup> Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. <sup>27</sup> But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. <sup>28</sup> God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things—and the things that are not—to nullify the things that are, <sup>29</sup> so that no one may boast before him. <sup>30</sup> It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God—that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption. **1 Corinthians 1:26-30, NIV**

It's not about \_\_\_\_\_. It's because of Jesus that I stand before God \_\_\_\_\_ for life now and \_\_\_\_\_ for life eternal.

### MEMORY VERSE

<sup>4</sup> For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. **Ephesians 1:4, NIV**

**My next step:** I will live confidently, believing that God chose me to be his dearly loved child and adopted me at great cost.

What's your next step today?

Mark it on your Communication Card.