

# The Messiah

a study of the Gospel according to Matthew / 26:47-56

"This very night ..." (31b) / part \_\_\_\_\_.

How are we supposed to fight with our sword "back in its place" (52a)?

We are supposed to fight from a Biblical posture, for example ...

1. Identify the **real** source of \_\_\_\_\_.

a. The betrayer's \_\_\_\_\_.

While He was still speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, arrived.

With him was *a large crowd armed with swords and clubs*,

sent from the chief priests and the elders of the people. (47)

b. The betrayer's \_\_\_\_\_.

Now *the betrayer had arranged a signal* with them:

"The one I kiss is the Man; arrest Him." Going at once to Jesus,

Judas said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" and kissed Him. (48-49)

\* Your enemy the devil prowls ... looking for someone to devour. (1 Peter 5:8b)

2. Fight your adversaries \_\_\_\_\_.

a. Put away the weapons of the \_\_\_\_\_.

... the men stepped forward, seized Jesus and arrested Him. With that, one ... *reached for his sword* ... and struck the servant of the high priest, cutting off his ear. **"Put your sword back in its place,"** Jesus said to him, "for all who draw the sword will die by the sword." (50-52)

b. Pick up the weapons of the \_\_\_\_\_.

*"Do you think I cannot call on My Father,* and He will at once put at My disposal more than twelve legions of angels? But how then would the Scriptures be fulfilled that say it must happen in this way?" (53-54)

\* ... Take ... the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God. (see Eph 6:10-17)

3. Exhibit Christ-inspired \_\_\_\_\_.

a. By continuing to \_\_\_\_\_.

In that hour Jesus said to the crowd, "Am I leading a rebellion, that you have come out with swords and clubs to capture Me? Every day I sat in the temple courts teaching, and you did not arrest Me. But this has all taken place *that the writings of the prophets might be fulfilled*." (55-56a)

b. By remaining \_\_\_\_\_.

Then *all the disciples deserted Him* and fled. (56b)

\* Submit ... to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. (James 4:7)

"Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,"

says the LORD \_\_\_\_\_. (Zechariah 4:6c-e)

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