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JESUS’ THREE IMPORTANT MINISTRY PRACTICES:

1. He _____ to be _____ (v. 13a; Luke 6:12; 5:16; Mark 1:35).
2. He _____ (Luke 6:12; Matthew 14:23).
3. He _____ ministry _____ with others (vv. 14-19; Matthew 28:19-20; 2 Corinthians 5:20).

CHARACTERISTICS OF A TRAITOR:

1. Divided _____ (Matthew 6:24; James 1:8; Luke 14:33).
2. _____ over _____ (Matthew 26:14-16; Philippians 2:21; Luke 9:23-26; 2 Timothy 4:10).
3. _____ is _____ only (Matthew 7:21; Luke 22:48; Proverbs 20:6; 1 John 3:18).
4. _____ is justified as _____ or necessary (Isaiah 5:20; Romans 1:32; Hebrews 10:26).
5. Repeated _____ dulls their _____ (1 Timothy 4:2; Luke 16:10; 1 Peter 3:16; James 4:4; Romans 12:2).

THREE QUESTIONS TO REGULARLY ASK MYSELF:

1. Do I crave being _____ and _____?
2. Do I want to be _____ Jesus, or do I just want something _____ Him?
3. Do I _____ for Jesus to meet my _____ needs or just my _____ needs?

REFLECTION QUESTIONS & CHALLENGE:

- ★ Which of the three main sections spoke to you most significantly? Explain why.
- ★ What makes it difficult for you to spend the time in prayer, even if you are convinced of its importance?
- ★ Spend time with the Lord this week without having any type of distraction near you (e.g. phone, calendar, TV, radio, white noise, etc.). Let there be quiet.

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1. He withdrew to be alone (v. 13a; Luke 6:12; 5:16; Mark 1:35).
2. He prayed (Luke 6:12; Matthew 14:23).
3. He shared ministry responsibilities with others (vv. 14-19; Matthew 28:19-20; 2 Corinthians 5:20).

CHARACTERISTICS OF A TRAITOR:

1. Divided loyalty (Matthew 6:24; James 1:8; Luke 14:33).
2. Self-interest over faithfulness (Matthew 26:14-16; Philippians 2:21; Luke 9:23-26; 2 Timothy 4:10).
3. Loyalty is words only (Matthew 7:21; Luke 22:48; Proverbs 20:6; 1 John 3:18).
4. Sin is justified as reasonable or necessary (Isaiah 5:20; Romans 1:32; Hebrews 10:26).
5. Repeated compromise dulls their conscience (1 Timothy 4:2; Luke 16:10; 1 Peter 3:16; James 4:4; Romans 12:2).

THREE QUESTIONS TO REGULARLY ASK MYSELF:

1. Do I crave being liked and recognized?
2. Do I want to be with Jesus, or do I just want something from Him?
3. Do I pray for Jesus to meet my real needs or just my perceived needs?

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