



“Swords and Clubs – Part 2”

Mark 14:43-52 ♦ Pastor Jim Lennon
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Introduction –*In the garden of Gethsemane Judas betrays Jesus with an armed contingent expecting armed resistance. Judas got it wrong.*

I. Swords and Clubs.

- A. In the Bible the sword means something more than just killing.
- B. The sword represents the authority and power of this world’s Kingdoms to compel people.
- C. In coming to arrest Jesus with swords and clubs, they don’t understand Jesus at all.
- D. The authority of the Kingdoms of this world are always associated with the sword.
- E. Jesus is inaugurating a new kingdom, the Kingdom of God that orders things differently.

II. The Kingdom of Christ.

- A. Christ’s Kingdom is very difficult to follow when we still live in the World’s Kingdom.
- B. Jesus gives us a list of how things are ordered in God’s Kingdom in contrast with the World’s Kingdom.

Matthew 5-7

Luke 6:20-26

- C. It seems unnatural and counterintuitive to live by the way Christ orders things in His Kingdom.
- D. Peter’s instinct is in conflict with the Scripture.
- E. How do we do live according to Jesus’ Kingdom?
- F. Lessons from the last man running away naked.

Conclusion.