

The Last Days of Judas Iscariot

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Directed by Rebecca Holderness

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There will be one 15 minute intermission

Scenic Designer..... R.H. Graham
Costume Designer Louella Powell
Lighting Designer..... Stephen White
Sound Designer Christopher Guse
Voice and Speech Michelle Lopez-Rios
Assistant Director Flannery Steffens
Videographer Catron Booker

DRAMATURGICAL GLOSSARY

DOMINE ADJUVA INCREDULITATEM MEAM -

Latin. "Lord. Help my unbelief." From The Gospel of Mark, in which Jesus casts a demon out of a child:

Jesus said to him, "If you are able! – All things can be done for the one who believes." Immediately the father of the child cried out, "I believe; help my unbelief!" (Mark 9.23-24).

SIC DEUS DILEXIT MUNDUM - Latin. "For God so loved the world." From The Gospel of John:

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16).

Faith - The complete trust in someone or something, particularly in God or in the doctrines of a religion, based in spiritual risk rather than proof.

Despair - The complete loss or absence of hope. Saint Augustine regarded despair as an "unforgiveable sin," the reason being that it cannot be repented.

Eternal Truth - Kierkegaard suggests that truth is not defined by what is believed, but by how it is believed. Eternal truth exists regardless of one's awareness of its existence.

Grace - In Christianity: the free and unmerited favor of God, as manifested in the salvation of sinners.

Hope - A significant element of Christianity, rooted in the promises of resurrection and the reward of heaven after the trials of human existence.

Zealots - Members of a radical sect of Judaism in 1st century CE that sought to reclaim the Holy Land. The Zealots utilized a somewhat violent political agenda to resist and remove the Roman occupation of Judea.

Sanhedrin - The highest religious court of justice and supreme council in ancient Jerusalem. During the Roman occupation in 1st century CE, Sanhedrin High Priests were controlled and influenced by officials of the Empire.

The Gospels according to Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John - These books in the New Testament recount the life and ministry of Jesus of Nazareth. The first three are deemed The Synoptic Gospels due to the fact the three texts are incredibly similar in structure and wording. These Gospels are the main historical reference for information about Jesus and the Apostles.

-Fly Steffens, Dramaturg

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