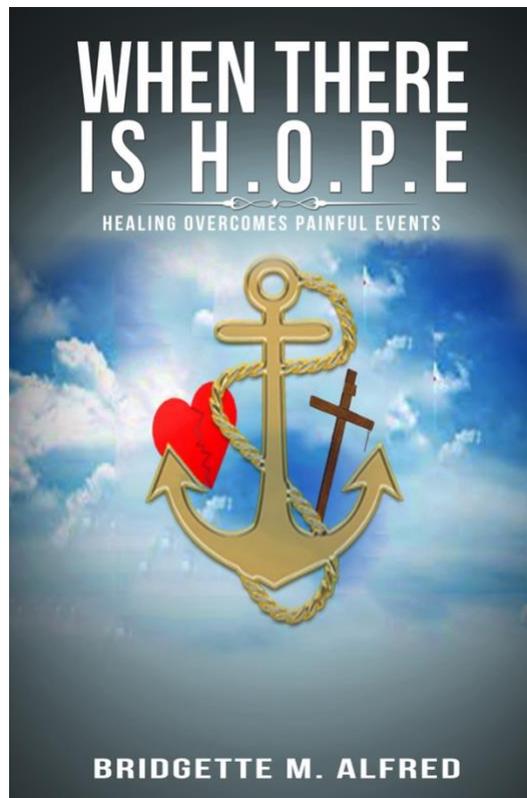


When There Is H.O.P.E. (Healing Overcomes Painful Events)

**BIBLE STUDY GUIDE - Week
Seventeen, Thursday, October 14, 2021**



Eddie and Judas

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EDDIE AND JUDAS

Eddie's Hope was in himself because he was a betrayer and manipulator. This excerpt shows that he lied, cheated, and belittled those around him.

“Eddie has left town, so there's no more reason for anyone to talk anymore.”

“So why did he leave town?” I asked.

“Eddie got expelled.”

“Why did he get expelled?”

“He was running a poker game on campus.”

“I thought there was no gambling allowed on campus.”

“Well, that's one reason why he got expelled. Someone who lost a lot of money at a game snitched. Eddie found out who snitched, he made threats. Eddie's father is Judge Roger Haynes, who is campaigning for re-election. So before the press found out the whole story, his father pulled some strings, made some bribes, and sent Eddie to Europe to live with his mother.”

“Eddie's mother is an actress there. So now do you see? How could I be in a relationship with someone like Eddie? Eddie has a wicked charisma that some people are attracted to. I'm not.” Hearing his words, I apologized to Derek and nothing more was said about Eddie.

Reflection: Do you know of anyone who has authority problems?

JUDAS ISCARIOT

Read Luke 22:1-6

Reflection: What do you think Judas was looking for in his relationship with Jesus?

Read Luke 22:47-48

Reflection: Isn't it so cunning that Judas used a kiss which is personal to identify Jesus to his enemies?

Read John 12:4-6

Reflection: Why do you think Christ only considered Judas a betrayer even though all the disciples deserted Him and fled?

Read Matthew 27:3-5

Reflection: Do you think Judas' suicide was his way of repenting for betraying Jesus?

Reflection: Describe how Eddie Haynes and Judas Iscariot lives are similar.
