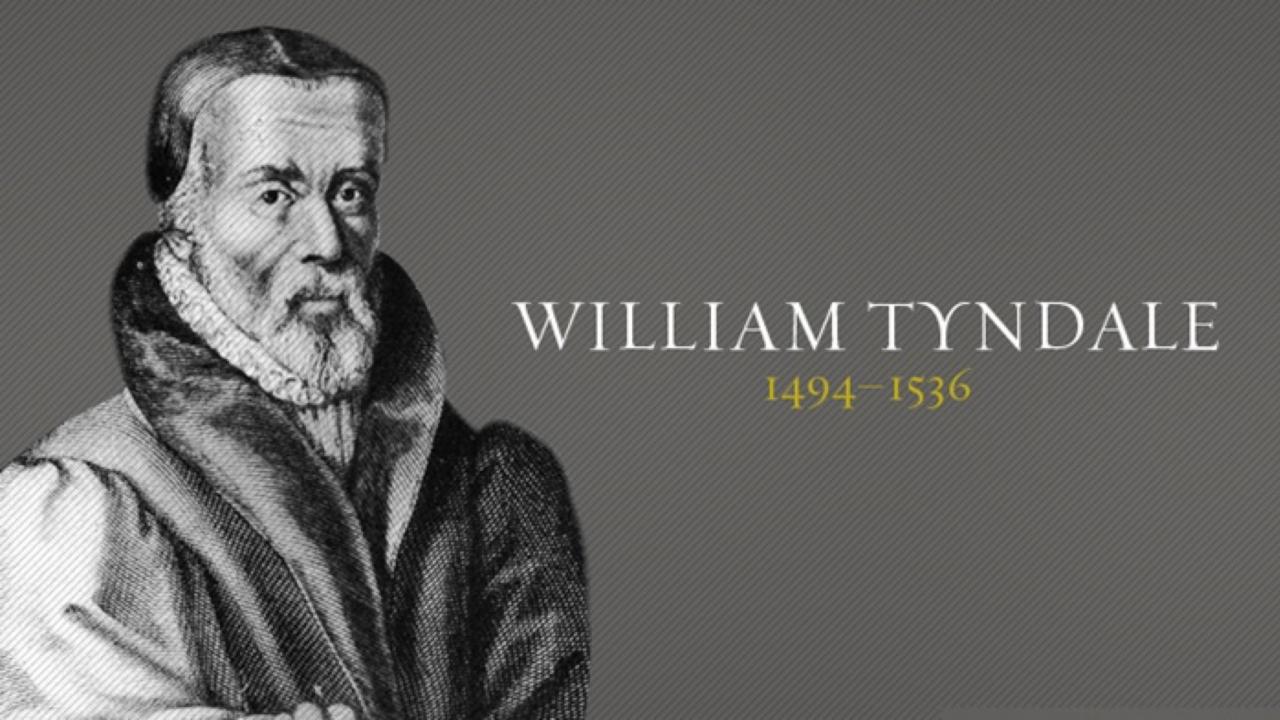


Providential Betrayal Mark 14:17-21



Psalm 41:9

Even my close friend in whom I trusted, who ate my bread, has lifted his heel against me.



In the end, because events don't determine God's plan—God's plan determines events— He will use evil to do the opposite of what was intended.

Every Event in this Passage is In

Step With:

- 1. (Divine) Blueprint v. 21
- 2. Betrayal vv. 17-21
- 3. Bible v. 21b

1. According to Plan: Blueprint

One of our greatest sins is impatience with God, not trusting our sovereign God to do things according to his own plan and in his own time.

- In our self-examination:
- -2 Cor. 13:5 protects us from negligence-
- -1 Cor. 4:3 protects us from paralysis.

Not all who profess Christ possess Him, but all who possess Christ profess Him.

Sin is like gravity, it's the natural direction of the human heart.

It's true, Jesus was a friend of sinners, and because he was a true friend, he called those friends to repent and believe.

3. According to Plan: Bible

If you want a Messiah who's going to play fast and loose with Scripture, don't look to Jesus.

3. According to Plan: Bible

Divine sovereignty and human responsibility. It's a both/and, not an either/or. Let the tension stand. God's mysteries are better than our solutions.