INFORMED AND FAITHFUL

Lesson 8: The Life and Teachings of Jesus

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DILIGENCE IN PURSUING PEACE

- 2 Timothy 2:15-16 Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling the word of truth. But avoid worldly and empty talk, for it will lead to further ungodliness...
- Philippians 4:6-7 Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
- Guard: phroureo: guard; advance sentinel

ABOUT PEACE

- John 14:1 "Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me."
- John 14:27 "Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your heart be troubled, nor let it be fearful."
- In God's terminology, the opposite of peace isn't war; it is confusion
- John 14, 15, 16 are known as the Farewell Discourse
- John 17 is the real Lord's prayer

THE LORD'S BEQUESTS

- The Holy Spirit
- Peace
- Vertical: Peace with God
 Romans 5:1 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ
- Horizontal: Peace with People Ephesians 2:14 For He Himself is our peace, who made both groups into one and broke down the barrier of the dividing wall
- Personal Peace: Peace of God
 - 2 Thessalonians 3:16 Now may the Lord of peace Himself continually grant you peace in every circumstance. The Lord be with you all!

SHORTAGES OF PEACE IN ANY OF THESE AREAS ARE BOUND BY A COMMON CORD: SIN

THE PROPHECY

Zechariah 9:9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout in triumph, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; He is just and endowed with salvation, humble, and mounted on a donkey, even on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

- Triumphal entry: Nisan 10: day the sacrificial lambs were chosen for the passover
- TODAY AT SUNDOWN IS NISAN (Abib, Aviv) 10, 5772

LAST EARTHLY DAYS OF CHRIST

- Matthew 21:9-13 The crowds going ahead of Him, and those who followed, were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David; Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest!" When He had entered Jerusalem, all the city was stirred, saying, "Who is this?" And the crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth in Galilee." And Jesus entered the temple and drove out all those who were buying and selling in the temple, and overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who were selling doves. And He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer'; but you are making it a robbers' den."
- Mark 11:17 And He began to teach and say to them, "Is it not written, 'My house shall be called a house of PRAYER FOR ALL THE NATIONS'? But you have made it a robbers' den."

GOING TO PREPARE A PLACE

◆ John 14:2-3 "In My Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, there you may be also."

***JESUS IS GOING AWAY**

***JESUS IS PREPARING A PLACE**

***JESUS IS COMING BACK FOR THOSE WHO BELONG TO HIM**

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

- ❖ John 14:5-6 Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, how do we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me."
- Acts 4:12 "And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved."
- Galatians 1:8 But even if we, or an angel from heaven, should preach to you a gospel contrary to what we have preached to you, he is to be accursed!

TRIUNE NATURE OF GOD

- ✔ John 14:7-10 "If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; from now on you know Him, and have seen Him." Philip said to Him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us." Jesus said to him, "Have I been so long with you, and yet you have not come to know Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; how can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father is in Me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on My own initiative, but the Father abiding in Me does His works."
- 1 John 2:23 Whoever denies the Son does not have the Father; the one who confesses the Son has the Father also.

ANOTHER HELPER

- ❖ John 14:16-17 "I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever; that is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him, but you know Him because He abides with you and will be in you."
- Helper: parakleton: advocate, counselor; one called alongside
- Exposes sin; strengthens and comforts; explains scripture; reveals truth; teaches; bears witness; convicts of sin; shows need for salvation

SPIRIT OF TRUTH

- God never lies; Satan is the father of lies
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- 1 Timothy 3:15 ...I write so that you will know how one ought to conduct himself in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and support of the truth.
- John 17:17 "Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth."
- John 14:6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me."

PASSION WEEK TEACHING

- Cursing the fig tree no taqsh, no fruit
- Preaching in the temple:
 parable of 2 sons
 parable of the land owner, vineyard, servants, son stones that the builders rejected
 man without wedding clothes
 render to Caesar
 mistaken about resurrection
 "woe" on the religious leaders

TEACHINGS ABOUT HIS RETURN

- False christs and prophets; wars, rumors of wars; ethnic and national uprising; famines, earthquakes, tribulation for Christians; gospel preached to all the world; abomination of desolation spoken of by Daniel; sun darkened, moon doesn't give light; sky and heavens shaken; the elect gathered
- Parable of the 10 virgins
- Parable of the talents
- Separation of sheep and goats
- ♣ Matthew 26:2 "You know that after two days the Passover is coming, and the Son of Man is to be handed over for crucifixion."

THE SEDER

- Luke 22:8-13 And Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover for us, so that we may eat it." They said to Him, "Where do You want us to prepare it?" And He said to them, "When you have entered the city, a man will meet you carrying a pitcher of water; follow him into the house that he enters. And you shall say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher says to you, "Where is the guest room in which I may eat the Passover with My disciples?" And he will show you a large, furnished upper room; prepare it there." And they left and found everything just as He had told them; and they prepared the Passover.
- The afikomen
- The cup after supper: Luke 22:20-21

THE CRUCIFIXION

- John 19:14 Now it was the day of preparation for the Passover; it was about the sixth hour. And he said to the Jews, "Behold, your King!"
- Mark 15:33 When the sixth hour came, darkness fell over the whole land until the ninth hour.
- Jesus died after the 9th hour—the time when the passover lambs were being killed
- Sundown began the passover, which is always a Sabbath high holy day, regardless of the day of the week
- Sabbath: shabath: rest, repose, cease

SABBATHS

- Passover is a sabbath
- The next day, the first day of Unleavened Bread, is also a Sabbath
- Mark 16:2-6 Very early on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen. They were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" Looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away, although it was extremely large. Entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting at the right, wearing a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who has been crucified. He has risen; He is not here; behold, here is the place where they laid Him.