

Sermon Notes – June 9, 2019

Review

- ⇒ We're in that section of Matthew's gospel where time slows down as we walk with Jesus through the final days of His earthly life. Matthew's gospel is leading to the "Great Commission."
- ⇒ Last week, we concluded the Olivet Discourse, and we saw Jesus warning us to be ready and to not waste what He has entrusted to us until His return. The gospel calls for action: repentance, true faith, and acts of obedience.

Today's Text: Matthew 26:1-46

Today's text marks the 5th major shift in Matthew from a teaching section to the narrative. This section sets the foundation for the gospel and whose work salvation is through several contrasts.

Contrast 1: Greatness in the Kingdom vs Greatness in this World (1-13)

- ⇒ Matthew intentionally contrasts the greatest ____ in Israel with a nameless _____. Whereas the top of society plots Jesus' death, the lowest of society demonstrates costly love.
- ⇒ Jesus' response demonstrates the woman's great value in the Kingdom. Her testimony will be proclaimed to the whole world as part of the gospel. To date, about ____ languages!
- ⇒ This contrast shows worth in the Kingdom comes from Jesus, not _____.

Contrast 2: God's Plan vs My Plan (14-26)

- ⇒ God is always in control. Even though the religious leaders put their plans on hold until after Passover, Jesus will be betrayed _____.
- ⇒ We see the danger of living for our plans instead of God's plan. Judas thinks he _____, but following his plan has disastrous results. In contrast, Jesus demonstrates the ability to live by the Father's will.

The Son of Man is Betrayed into the Hands of Sinners
Matthew 26:1-46
Pastor Tyler Pease

Contrast 3: His Commitment vs My Commitment (27-35)

- ⇒ Passover remembered God's salvation of Israel from Egypt. Jesus now points to the Passover elements and says that all these things point to ____.
- ⇒ The great promise of the New Covenant (Jeremiah 31:31-34) is that people great and small would be in relationship with God. This promise can only be accomplished by God because it requires having a _____!
- ⇒ Though they say they're with Jesus to the death, the disciples will soon abandon Him. Yet, Jesus' promise doesn't rest in their _____ to Him. Unlike _____ religion, we don't earn God's favor through our great commitment; our standing with God rests in Jesus' commitment to us.

Contrast 4: His Awareness vs My Awareness (36-46)

- ⇒ Jesus begins to experience crushing despair. What brings about such sudden and great sorrow? As Jesus is about to drink the cup of God's _____, He is given a preview of the Father's rejection while He still has the ability to _____.
- ⇒ Jesus is willing to pay the price while His disciples are unwilling to even stay awake. His awareness is contrasted with their lack of awareness. He isn't dissuaded by the disciples' _____.
- ⇒ By drinking the cup of wrath intended for the nations, Jesus earns the authority to send good news to those nations (Matthew 28:18-20).

Response to God's Word: His Willingness vs My Merit

- ⇒ Do you see it? Jesus willingly drank the cup of wrath when His disciples lacked any merit! Matthew 26 lays the foundation for the Gospel. Nothing has changed today—we still lack merit and Jesus still offers salvation!
- ⇒ Do you struggle to trust God because of your own deficiencies? Allow Jesus' decision in the garden lay a foundation for your trust!

Next Sunday: June 16, 2019 (Father's Day)

"God's Answer to True Guilt & Deep Regret"

Matthew 26:47-27:10

Pastor Jay Mosser

Answer Key: ▪ man ▪ woman ▪ 3300 ▪ social standing ▪ on schedule ▪ knows best ▪ Him ▪ new heart ▪ commitment ▪ man-made ▪ wrath ▪ walk away ▪ ignorance ▪