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The Road of Discipleship

- Following Jesus on the Road of Discipleship:

From “The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God” (Mark 1:1) to now . . .

- What have you learned?
- How have you grown spiritually?
- How will you prepare for Holy Week and Easter?

Be Not Afraid

- “Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go”
(Joshua 1:9)

Mark 10:32-34 (ESV)

- ³² And they were on the road, going up *to Jerusalem*, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him,
- ³³ saying, “See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and *the Son of Man* will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles.
- ³⁴ And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise.”

MAP OF PALESTINE



Jerusalem: A Place of Celebration and Danger

³²”And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem” (Mark 10:32)

- **Songs of Ascent (Psalms 120-134)**

122 I was glad when they said to me,
“Let us go to the house of the LORD!”

² Our feet have been standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem!

- “O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!” (Matthew 23:37)

Moments of Amazement

- “Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed” (Mark 10:32)
- **Previously, amazed at:**
 - Jesus’ teaching with authority (Mark 1:22, 6:2)
 - Jesus’ power to heal the sick (Mark 2:12, 7:37)
 - Jesus’ ability to raise the dead to life (Mark 5:42)
 - Jesus’ ability to calm the wind/control nature (Mark 6:51)
- **Currently amazed at:**
 - Jesus’ determination to fulfill his ministry even though it means his death on the cross

Jesus informs disciples of his upcoming death

- **Previous explanations in general terms**

--Mark 8:31

- “And he began to teach them that ***the Son of Man*** must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again.”

--Mark 9:31 (disciples afraid to ask what he means)

- **Current description in specific terms (urgency and intensity rises)**

--Mark 10:32c-34a

“Son of Man”

- The term that Jesus uses to refer to himself is “Son of Man” rather than “Son of God”
- “Son of Man” appears sixty-nine times in the Synoptic Gospels
- “Son of Man” appears thirteen times in the Gospel of John
- “No other title used by Jesus so clearly attests his messianic self-consciousness” (p. 1127)

--Evangelical Dictionary of Theology, 2nd edition

- “Son of Man”: “God's messiah destined to preside over the final judgment of humankind” (*Merriam-Webster Dictionary*)

Expectation: “Son of Man” as Military Messiah

- I saw in the night visions,
and behold, with the clouds of heaven
there came ***one like a son of man***,
and he came to the Ancient of Days
and was presented before him.
¹⁴ And ***to him was given dominion
and glory and a kingdom***,
that all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve him;
***his dominion is an everlasting dominion,
which shall not pass away***,
and his kingdom one
that shall not be destroyed. (Daniel 7:13-14)

Reality: The “Son of Man” (The Messiah) as the “Suffering Servant”

- “The Jews did not associate the Suffering Servant passages of Isaiah with their hope of the coming Messiah, but Jesus knew that those texts applied to him” (p. 237).

--R.C. Sproul, *Mark: An Expositional Commentary*

The “Suffering Servant”

- his appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance,
and his form beyond that of the children of mankind (Isaiah 52:14b)
- He was despised and rejected by men,
a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief;
and as one from whom men hide their faces
he was despised, and we esteemed him not. (Isaiah 53:3)

Jesus Died for Us

- ⁵ But he was pierced for our transgressions;
he was crushed for our iniquities; (Isaiah 53:5)

He Will Rise Again: Victorious over Sin and Death

- “And after three days he will rise” (Mark 10:34b)
- ¹³ Behold, my servant shall act wisely;
he shall be high and lifted up,
and shall be exalted.
--(Isaiah 52:13)

The Unfolding of History

- The Messiah (God's "anointed one") comes to earth ("the incarnation"), suffers and dies for our sins ("the passion"), and rises again to defeat sin and death ("the resurrection"). He will come again ("the Second Coming") to reign as King of Kings and Lord of Lords forevermore.

Salvation through Faith in Jesus Christ

- ²¹ But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²² the ***righteousness of God*** through ***faith in Jesus Christ*** for all who ***believe***. For there is no distinction: ²³ ***for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,*** ²⁴ ***and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,*** ²⁵ whom God put forward as a ***propitiation by his blood,*** to be ***received by faith***. (Romans 3:21-25)

“The Romans Road” to Salvation

- **1. The Human Problem (Romans 3:10, 3:23, 6:23):** God created human beings to be in a relationship with Him; however, our sinfulness (we all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God) separates us from God, who is holy.
- **2. Humanity’s Hope in Christ (Romans 5:8):** God’s only Son, Jesus Christ, died for us on the cross while we were still sinners, thus paying the price for our sins and enabling us to be reconciled to God
- **3. The Sinner’s Response (Romans 10:9-10, 10:13):** Call out to Jesus, inviting Him into your heart by accepting Him as Lord and Savior of your life
- **4. The Result of Salvation (Romans 5:1-2, 8:1):** Through faith in Jesus Christ, sinners can enjoy peace with God, no longer being separated from God by sin.

Let Us Pray

- “God, I know that I am a sinner and that the wages of sin are death. I believe that you sent your Son, Jesus Christ, as a payment for my punishment. I declare that Jesus is my Lord and profess my faith for salvation through the death and resurrection of Jesus. Thank you for your grace, forgiveness, peace, and gift of eternal life. Amen!”

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