

JOURNEY TO PASSION WEEK



The Journey to Passion Week - Power, Testimonies and Truths

Text: Revelation 12:10 *And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. ¹¹ And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.*

Introduction: We will study ministry of Jesus the days before His triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday from Luke's Gospel. There were three specific ways He had a profound impact upon those that followed Him.

1. People experienced His power that resulted in testimonies!
2. Teaching brought Revelatory Knowledge and Directives.
3. The hearts of the followers were revealed.

The same is with us today.

1. We must Experience His Word in Power and give our testimonies.
2. Receive teaching which bring forth revelatory knowledge and His directives.
3. Our minds get renewed where we go from Glory to Glory and do the will of God.
 - Experience His Word in Power and Testify!

Luke 17:11 *And it came to pass, as he went to Jerusalem, that he passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee. ¹² And as he entered into a certain village, there met him ten men that were lepers, which stood afar off: ¹³ And they lifted up their voices, and said, Jesus, Master, have mercy on us. ¹⁴ And when he saw them, he said unto them, Go shew yourselves unto the priests. And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were cleansed. ¹⁵ And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God, ¹⁶ And fell down on his face at his feet, giving him thanks: and he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ And Jesus answering said, Were there not ten cleansed? but where are the nine? ¹⁸ There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger. ¹⁹ And he said unto him, Arise, go thy way: thy faith hath made thee whole.*

- Teaching and revelatory knowledge:

Luke 17:20 *And when he was demanded of the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God should come, he answered them and said, **The kingdom of God cometh not with observation:** ²¹ Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, **behold, the kingdom of God is within you.** ²² And he said unto the disciples, The days will come, when ye shall desire to see one of the days of the Son of man, and ye shall not see it. ²³ And they shall say to you, See here; or, see there: go not after them, nor follow them. ²⁴ For as the lightning, that lighteneth out of the one part under heaven, shineth unto the other part under heaven; so shall also the Son of man be in his day. ²⁵ **But first must he suffer many things, and be rejected of this generation.** ²⁶ **And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man.** ²⁷ They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all. ²⁸ Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; ²⁹ But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all. ³⁰ Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed. ³¹ In that day, he which shall be upon the housetop, and his stuff in the house, let him not come down to take it away: and he that is in the field, let him likewise not return back. ³² Remember Lot's wife. ³³ **Whosoever shall seek to save his life shall lose it; and whosoever shall lose his life shall preserve it.** -----*

- Teaching - directive to relentlessly pray:

Luke 18:1 *And he spake a parable unto them to this end, **that men ought always to pray, and not to faint;** ² Saying, There was in a city a judge, which feared not God, neither regarded man: ³ And there was a widow in that city; and she came unto him, saying, Avenge me of mine adversary. ⁴ And he would not for a while: but afterward he said within himself, Though I fear not God, nor regard man; ⁵ Yet because this widow troubleth me, I will avenge her, lest by her continual coming she weary me. ⁶ And the Lord said, Hear what the unjust judge saith. ⁷ And shall not God avenge his own elect, which cry day and night unto him, though he bear long with them? ⁸ I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. **Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?***

- Teaching - Hearts of men revealed:

Luke 18:9 *And he spake this parable unto **certain which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others:** ¹⁰ Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican. ¹¹ The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican. ¹² I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess. ¹³ And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto*

heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner. ¹⁴ I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: **for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.**

- Teaching and revelatory knowledge:

Luke 18:15 And they brought unto him also infants, that he would touch them: but when his disciples saw it, they rebuked them. ¹⁶ But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God.

¹⁷ Verily I say unto you, **Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child shall in no wise enter therein.**

- Hearts of men revealed:

Luke 18:18-27 ... ²² Now when Jesus heard these things, he said unto him, **Yet lackest thou one thing: sell all that thou hast, and distribute unto the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, follow me.** ²³ And when he heard this, he was very sorrowful: for he was very rich. ²⁴ And when Jesus saw that he was very sorrowful, he said, How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God! ²⁵ **For it is easier for a camel to go through a needle's eye, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.** ²⁶ And they that heard it said, **Who then can be saved?** ²⁷ And he said, **The things which are impossible with men are possible with God.**

- Has my sacrifice been sufficient? – Hearts of men revealed:

Luke 18:28 Then Peter said, Lo, we have left all, and followed thee. ²⁹ And he said unto them, Verily I say unto you, **There is no man that hath left house, or parents, or brethren, or wife, or children, for the kingdom of God's sake,** ³⁰ **Who shall not receive manifold more in this present time, and in the world to come life everlasting.**

- The plan of God unveiled:

Luke 18:31 Then he took unto him the twelve, and said unto them, **Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and all things that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of man shall be accomplished.** ³² **For he shall be delivered unto the Gentiles, and shall be mocked, and spitefully entreated, and spitted on:** ³³ **And they shall scourge him, and put him to death: and the third day he shall rise again.** ³⁴ **And they understood none of these things: and this saying was hid from them, neither knew they the things which were spoken.**

- Power of God and Testimonies!

Luke 18:35 And it came to pass, that as he was come nigh unto Jericho, a certain blind man sat by the way side begging: ³⁶ And hearing the multitude pass by, he asked what it meant. ³⁷ And they told him, that Jesus of Nazareth passeth by. ³⁸ And he cried, saying, Jesus, thou son of David, have mercy on me. ³⁹ **And they which went before rebuked him, that he should hold his peace: but he cried so much the more, Thou son of David, have mercy on me.** ⁴⁰ **And Jesus stood, and commanded him to be brought unto him: and when he was come near, he asked him,** ⁴¹ **Saying, What wilt thou that I shall do unto thee?** And he said, Lord, that I may receive my sight. ⁴² **And Jesus said unto him, Receive thy sight: thy faith hath saved thee.** ⁴³ **And immediately he received his sight, and followed him, glorifying God: and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise unto God.**

- Teaching and revelatory knowledge:

Luke 19:1-10 And Jesus entered and passed through Jericho. ² And, behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus, which was the chief among the publicans, and he was rich. ³ And he sought to see Jesus who he was; and could not for the press, because he was little of stature. ⁴ And he ran before, and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him: for he was to pass that way. ⁵ And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up, and saw him, and said unto him, Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down; for to day I must abide at thy house. ⁶ And he made haste, and came down, and received him joyfully. ⁷ And when they saw it, they all murmured, saying, That he was gone to be guest with a man that is a sinner. ⁸ And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord: Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold. ⁹ And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, forsomuch as he also is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰ For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.

- Jesus teaching on stewardship building Jesus' Church (Matthew 16:15-18)

Luke 19:11-28 ... **And as they heard these things, he added and spake a parable, because he was nigh to Jerusalem, and because they thought that the kingdom of God should immediately appear.** ¹² **He said therefore, A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return.** ¹³ **And he called his ten servants, and**

*delivered them ten pounds, (One pound or mina = 3 months wages) and said unto them, **Occupy till I come.***¹⁴ *But his citizens hated him, and sent a message after him, saying, **We will not have this man to reign over us.***¹⁵ *And it came to pass, that when he was returned, having received the kingdom, **then he commanded these servants to be called unto him, to whom he had given the money, that he might know how much every man had gained by trading.***

- **Testimony with Peace and Pastor Freke**
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Worship God with your First-Fruits, Tithes, and Offerings: “Increase your faith!”

Matthew 6:20 *But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal.*²¹ *For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.*---³² *(For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.*³³ *But **seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.***