

Lesson #20: Jesus, The Way, The Truth and The Life

Welcome Prayer & Class Review of previous week: Jesus as Judge (15 minutes)

What do you imagine when you think of God judging mankind? What about believers?

1. Study 1 – Matt 24:1-4 Olivet discourse – orderly teaching about the end times.
 - a. Disciples wanted to know what would happen at the end of age.
 - b. Found in all synoptic gospels. John 14:1-4 Rapture of church.
 - c. Many will come saying they are the Christ
 - d. Famines and earthquakes are merely birth pangs
 - e. Tribulation is for Israel – this follows this series of “woes” statements.

2. Study 2 – Matt 24:15-31 Teaching on the great Tribulation
 - a. The 12 were persecuted and martyred but the Great tribulation of Revelation 6-18 is yet to come.
 - b. Jesus warns how destructive and widespread it will be.
 - c. But good news is about the coming of the Son of man again.

3. Study 3 – Matt 24:32-51 Be ready for Christ's return
 - a. Live your life as if He was returning today.
 - b. The early signs are an encouragement that what Jesus said was true and a warning to be on guard.

4. Study 4 – Matt 25: 1-30 Jesus gives a visual picture of what being ready looks like and what it does not look like using the story of 10 virgins and talents.
 - a. Have what you need in order to be ready?
 - b. * Confirm Christ is Lord
 - c. The talents given to the servants were to be used on behalf of the manager. Why the servant who buried the talent was called lazy?
 - d. * He buried and did not use.

5. Study 5 – Matt 25:31-44
 - a. Jesus taught who would inherit the kingdom and that He would separate the sheep from the goats.

This was His last night before Passover – an event that changed everything.

Homework Discussion – In small groups (30 minutes)

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Study 1: Olivet Discourse	Pg 127: #4, 6, 8
Study 2: Peril and Glory	Pg 129: #4, 8, 9
Study 3: Be Ready	Pg 131: #1, 3
Study 4: Ten Virgins and Talents	Pg 134: #3, 4, 9
Study 5: The Judgement	Pg 138: #7, 9, 10, 11

Lesson Intro for video: <u>Son of Man</u> (5 minutes)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jesus says, “He is The Way, the Truth, and the Life”• He is being very clear in His teaching.
Video Lesson (45 minutes)
Discussion & Table Prayer Requests (20 minutes)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• What significant thing did you learn from Jesus’ teaching on The Way, Truth and Life?• Share prayer requests with your group.
Ending Prayer (5 minutes)