

Mt 17:22-23, Mk 9:30-32, Lk 9:43-45
The Passion Foretold, Part 2

Introduction

1. Jesus moves from telling His disciples what **MUST** happen to Him, to what **WILL** happen to Him

Main Idea Easter Sunday is about the death, burial, and resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. It was necessary for Jesus to die for our sins. God planned it, preordained it, and performed, or executed, the death of His Son. Jesus would suffer and die, and rise again on the third day because God loves His people.

The Partial and the Persuaded (Mat 17:22-23, Mark 9:30-32, Luke 9:43-45)

1. Contrasts in the passages of Scripture are noticeable
 - a. The Mount of Transfiguration and the Valley of Frustration
 - b. God's glory is demonstrated in Jesus on the Mountain – three disciples get a glimpse of God's glory at Christ's transformation
 - c. God's glory is demonstrated in the Valley – the Lord powerfully delivers a demon possessed boy
 - d. The crowds marveled at the works of the Lord but were not convinced Jesus was the Messiah, while the disciples believed
2. Jesus is passing through Galilee – this will be the last time Jesus will be where He resided, called the disciples, and served the multitudes
 - a. Jesus is fast arriving at His final hour
 - b. Jesus is passing through with purpose
 - c. Jesus will be handed over into the hands of evil men
3. The Crowds marvel at Jesus – He healed the sick, delivered the demon possessed, raised the dead, taught with authority
 - a. The crowds did not necessarily trust each other, just wanted things from Him – a baker, doctor, exorcist, and miracle worker
 - b. The crowds were not convinced Jesus was the Messiah – they viewed him as a resurrected prophet or John the Baptist
 - c. They did not view Him as the Lamb of God who would take away the sins of the world
4. The Disciples were convinced Jesus was the long-awaited Messiah
 - a. Peter, as spokesman for the 12, confessed Jesus as the Christ
 - b. The disciples were weak and dull, but loyal and loved Him
 - c. They did not fully grasp Jesus' Messianic mission and purpose: They expected a Military Messiah, not a Suffering Servant
 - d. Jesus did not want others to know the teachings given to the 12
 - i. He taught them plainly that He would suffer, die, and rise again on the third day
 - ii. He told them to listen up and read between the lines concerning His miracles to the message
 - e. The disciples did not get the message, purposefully kept in the dark
5. What force concealed from the disciples the truth concerning Christ?

- a. Their own preconceived notions concerning the Messiah? No because the purpose clause eliminates this idea
 - b. The devil? Satan only blinds the eyes of unbelievers
 - c. God the Father? Yes – He shrouded their minds from understanding until after the resurrection
6. Jesus is preparing His men for when these events will occur, and then they will perceive the excellencies of God's purposes

The Passion of the Christ (Matthew 17:22-23, Mk 9:31, Lk 9:44)

1. In the Garden of Gethsemane, with anxiety, praying, knowing the hour of His death was upon Him
 - a. Judas betrays Him
 - b. Peter cuts off Malcus' ear
2. Before Caiaphas, the High Priest
 - a. The scribes and Pharisees seek false testimony against Jesus
 - b. They question Jesus, and accuse Him of blasphemy
 - c. They spit on Him, blind fold Him, and hit Him... mocking Him
3. Before Pilate, the Governor
 - a. He questions Him and finds no fault
 - b. He is pressured by the chief priests and the crowds
 - c. He sends Jesus to Herod
4. Before Herod
 - a. He wanted entertainment – a miracle and sign
 - b. Jesus remained silent before His shearers
 - c. Jesus disappointed Herod
 - d. The religious leaders stood near, mocking Jesus
 - e. Herod's soldiers derided Jesus – a robe and fine clothes to ridicule
5. Before Pilate, the Governor
 - a. He decides to punish Jesus and release Him
 - b. He will exchange Barabbas for Jesus
 - c. The Roman soldiers beat Jesus with a cat of nine tails, 40-1
 - d. Pilate brought Barabbas and Jesus before the crowd, and the crowd called for Barabbas and to crucify Jesus
 - e. Pilate washed his hands declaring himself innocent of Jesus' blood
 - f. The soldiers took Jesus and mocked Him, hit Him, placed a crown of thorns on His head, placed a scarlet robe upon Him, they placed a reed in His hands, mocking, "Hail! King of the Jews!"
 - g. The soldiers spit on Him, hit Him with the reed, mocked Him, and crucified Him
6. Jesus marched to Golgatha and was Crucified
 - a. Simon of Cyrene would carry the cross, people wagged their heads
 - b. Jesus was placed between two thieves
 - c. Jesus forgave them, one thief believed, He took care of His mother placing her in the care of John
 - d. Darkness covered the land and Jesus was forsaken of God bearing the sins of the world, and thirsted, and finished the work of God
7. Jesus ROSE from the dead!!!! He conquered Sin and Death!
 - a. Believing on Jesus' death burial, and resurrection means eternal life
 - b. Repent, fall on the mercy of God, be forgiven, believe!