

Ch 26: The Hour of Darkness

Workbook

Day One

Read: Matt 20:20-28, 23:1-10; John 13:1-17

1. What sort of kingdom do the disciples seem to be envisioning?
2. What sort of kingdom had the Pharisees and scribes tried to create?
3. Describe the kingdom Christ us to.
4. Look closely at John 13:3, what motivated/enabled Christ to be a servant?

Christ made it clear who would be exalted in His kingdom. Read Phil 2:1-11. How is God to you through these passages? Write a prayer in response.

Day Two

Read: John 17

1. Why does Jesus say He came?

2. Why does He say we are still here?

3. How does He say we are to be empowered to accomplish His kingdom purposes here on earth?

4. In verse 13, what does He say will be the result?

Jesus clearly stated our “job description” in this prayer. What is God saying to you, personally, through this passage about:

- 1) Your relationship?
- 2) Your purpose?
- 3) Your joy?

After answering these questions, write a prayer in response.

Day Three

Read: John 15:1-27

1. What is Jesus trying to prepare the disciples for?
2. What does the phrase “Abide in me” say to you?
3. What can we do apart from Him?

4. What reception should we expect and why?

Write John 15:5 and meditate on it. What is God showing you personally through this passage?

Write a prayer in response.

Day Four

Read John 19:1-42

1. How would the Lower Story of this chapter interpret “It is finished”?
2. How does the Upper Story of “It is finished” read?
3. What do the words “It is finished” mean to you personally?

For today’s devotional time, meditate on the three words “It is finished”. How does God want to apply those three words in your life personally?

Write a prayer in response.

Day Five

Read: Mark 10:45

1. What two reasons does Jesus say He came for?

2. Read Phil 3:7-15.

Re-write this passage, inserting your name for the personal pronouns (I,me,my...). Now, read what you have you written. What is God showing you through this exercise? Can you offer this as your prayer today?

If not, what do you need to surrender to God first?