The Bible Story – Part 3

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INTRODUCTION

- Last week, as we looked at the story of God in connection with the Lord's Supper, we talked about Jesus coming to earth and knowing that he would die.
- Today we're going to focus in a little bit more on the next thought, which is his coming to Jerusalem.

1. The Road to Jerusalem

Scripture: Mark 10:32–34

- He went throughout Judah and Galilee, teaching people, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God.
- 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. **(Mark 10:33)**
- They will mock him and spit on him and flog him and kill him. And after three days, he will rise. **(Mark 10:34)**

2. The Triumphal Entry

- It's sweet in the sense of those who are following him see the significance of who he is.
- Bitter in the sense that Jesus knows it's short-lived.
- Hosanna, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Blessed is the coming kingdom of our Father David, Hosanna in the highest.
- They know he's the one who's coming to save.
- He entered Jerusalem and went into the temple. And when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

3. Condemning the Temple

- The cursed fig tree really sends this image that it has fruit, but then it really doesn't.
- We call it cleansing the temple, but really he's condemning the temple.
- Whoever says to this mountain, be taken up and thrown into the sea, and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says will come to pass, it will be done for him.
- He's making a statement about the future of God's presence with his people. It's not going to be through this temple.
- Destroy this temple and I'll raise it up in three days. And he's talking about his body, which is the temple. **(John 2:19–21)**
- This is not the access point to God anymore. Now I'm the access point to God, and then when he goes away, it'll be his body, his church.

4. The Plan of God Taking Place

Scripture: Mark 14:1–2

- It was now two days before the Passover and the feast of unleavened bread, and the chief priests and the scribes were seeking how to arrest him by stealth and kill him. **(Mark 14:1)**
- They're evil in their intentions, but Jesus has done his work.
- Now he's coming to Jerusalem to die for the sins of humanity, to bring salvation to his people.
- They may not know exactly how that's going to work, but Jesus does.

THE CHALLENGE

Looking at this story as we move through it puts our minds in the right place as we are commemorating what Jesus did and his faithfulness to God's plan to give his life, to lay his life down.

MY NOTES