

Matt 20:17-28 Week 61

Take the Seat Called Suffering

Matt 20:17 Now as Jesus was going up to Jerusalem, he took the twelve disciples aside and said to them, 18 "We are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be betrayed to the chief priests and the teachers of the law. They will condemn him to death 19 and will turn him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified. On the third day he will be raised to life!" 20 Then the mother of Zebedee's sons came to Jesus with her sons and, kneeling down, asked a favor of him. 21 "What is it you want?" he asked. She said, "Grant that one of these two sons of mine may sit at your right and the other at your left in your kingdom." 22 "You don't know what you are asking," Jesus said to them. "Can you drink the cup I am going to drink?" "We can," they answered. 23 Jesus said to them, "You will indeed drink from my cup, but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared by my Father." 24 When the ten heard about this, they were indignant with the two brothers. 25 Jesus called them together and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. 26 Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, 27 and whoever wants to be first must be your slave- 28 just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." NIV

- Jesus was simply stating what would soon become historical_____.
- The death and resurrection of Jesus Christ form the central events of biblical _____ in both the Old and New Testaments.
- The suffering and death of Christ was no _____or accident.
- He must have endured many _____ a thousand times in His mind before they transpired in His life.
- More than that, He wanted them to understand that these things, evil as they were, were nevertheless a part of God's great _____ plan and were the very reason He had come to earth.

- Evil today, as bad as it is, can be used by God and will be used for the _____ of His kingdom.

Prove that scripturally:

- _____
- The death of his _____ saints
- Your own _____ of how God took the evil in you and forgave and restored you to Him.

The Quest of the Two Disciples

1. Their _____

- Jesus' suffering and death were always in God's _____.
- First Pilate had Jesus scourged with leather whips in which sharp pieces of bone and metal were embedded.
- Jesus also suffered the pain of _____.
- Jesus also suffered the pain of _____.
- Jesus also suffered the pain of _____ guilt.

2. Their Mistake

- Ambition _____

Several truths for us

1. Man and his self _____ usually will come short.
2. Jesus shows great _____ with man's self-confidence.
3. Our own handicaps come from our lack of _____ the Spirit of God and His Truth about our circumstances.