

SPENDING YOUR EASTER WEEK WITH JESUS

Saturday, April 4th - Anointing - Preparation

Luke 19:29, Mark 11:1, John 11:18, John 12:23, Psalm 133

How have we been anointed, covered, refreshed by God and Jesus?

How are we, and how can we, refresh others this Easter season?

Sunday, April 5th - Triumphal Entry - Jesus is King

John 12:12, Exodus 12:3 (Feast of Sabbath Rest – also Leviticus 23, Selection of Passover Lamb), Daniel 9:25, Mark 11:10-11, Col 2:16-17

How has Jesus provided you 'rest'? How has he provided you victory in your life?

Monday, April 6th - Cleansing - Holiness

Mark 11:12-19, Matthew 21:12-18, Matthew 3:10

Reflect on your own holiness and fruitfulness. Praise God for your successes and confess your shortcomings. How can you be more bold and fruitful for God, bringing Him joy?

Tuesday, April 7th - Teaching – (Goal: Everyone loving one person outside of our fellowship each week)

Mark 14:1, Matthew 26:2, Matthew 21:23 – 23:39, Mark 11:27-12:44, Acts 6:7, Matthew 24:1-2, Mark 13:1, Matthew 24:3-26:2 (Olivet Discourse)

What is our part in reconciling others to Christ? (**2 Cor 5:18-19**).

Wednesday, April 8th - Betrayal (Goal: Everyone consistent in their contribution and committed to making the special contribution goal)

Matthew 26:6-16, Mark 14:3-11, Zechariah 11:2, Mathew 11:28-30

Jesus has returned to spend time with Simon the Leper whom he previously had cleansed. How is it that Jesus would want to visit someone that was previously unclean? Thank God that he has compassion and wants to have a relationship with us! How will your thankfulness show in your giving in 2009?

Thursday, April 9th - New Covenant (Goal: Everyone grow in their worship/personal walk/relationship w/ God)

Exodus 12:1-36, Leviticus 23 (Passover Feast), John 13:2, Matthew 26:20-27, John 13:10/27, John 6:47-63

How important is it that we 'stay' in relationship with and in the presence of Jesus so that we will not fall to Satan's schemes? What does taking communion signify to you? What can you do to more fully live out the new life Jesus brought you? (**2 Cor 5:17**)

Friday, April 10th - Crucifixion - Agony (Bitterness)

Matthew 26:47 – 27:28, Mark 14:53 – 15:47, Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12, Genesis 22:1-19, Luke 23:34, Luke 23:42, Amos 8:9 and Mathew 27:45, Psalm 22:1-31 and Matthew 27:46, Genesis 3:15 and John 19:17

Jesus endured without compromise for our sakes. What areas of your spiritual life do you have firm convictions? What are one or two areas where your convictions have been compromised? Pray about these and know that you can come to a place of no compromise through Jesus.

Saturday, April 11th - Sealed Tomb (Goal: Everyone in a great family group and consistent 1:1 relationships)

Mark 16:1-2, Luke 23:56, Matthew 27:62-66, Zechariah 13:4-6, Hebrews 12:2 They sealed the tomb but they couldn't 'seal Jesus.

Thank God for specific ways he has delivered you from the darkness & loneliness of sin and put you in the family of God.

Sunday, April 12th – Jesus' Resurrection and Life!

Matthew 28:1-15, Mark 16:1-14, John 20:17-22, Romans 1:4

Write a short letter to Jesus, sharing your thankfulness for what he has done and your gratitude for the difference he has made in your life.

SONGS TO SING/READ: 376, 377, 380, 382, 390, 398, 409, 411, 417, 419, 429, 431, 452, 462, 469, 725, 735

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