

“the way” series

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Why the Crucifixion?

Jesus is not what people expected but He is exactly what they need.

Triumphant Entry (Palm Sunday) (Matt. 21:1-11)

Jesus enters as the king but on a baby horse weeping for the city? This king is not what they expected but they missed it.

Jesus is redefining what it means to be King

- Passover lamb: selected 4 days before Passover (Palm Sunday) (Exodus 12)
 - Shavuot: scape-goat and sin-offering (Lev.16)
 - Yom Kippur: atonement sacrifice (Lev.23)
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Crucifixion was the most painful and shameful death in the 1st century. Jesus used the worst death to complete old testament of the cross

HOMEWORK for next week:

1) Read Mark 14:32-72

Mark 14:1-31 (Group Study)

Listen/Read to Mark 14:1-31 using ASND/TCB

Anointed King Mark 14:1-11

(Matt. 26:1-16; Luke 22:1-13)

1) What did it mean to be anointed in ancient Israel? What did Jesus say it was?

Possible answer: “anointed” is king in Hebrew. Messiah or in Greek “Christus”. This is one of two times Jesus is anointed, the disciples are expecting a conquering king, Jesus says He is anointed for death. New type of King.

Last Supper Mark 14:12-26

(Matt. 26:17-30; Luke 22:14-23)

2) What is the meaning of Passover lamb?.

Possible answer: Read Exodus 12. Jesus is about to become the “lamb of God” that takes away the sin of the world (John 1:29)

Predicted Denial of Peter Mark 14:27-31

(Matt. 26:31-35; Luke 22:31-38)

3) Why is this part of the story important?

Possible answer: Jesus predicts everyone will abandon him even Peter. This shows how weak we are and how doubts and fear cause us to act. But we know the rest of the story. Victory and 5 weeks later the disciples are confident because they know the rest of the story.
