

The Gospel
Matthew 17:22-23

I. What Does This Mean to the Disciples?

- a. **The _____** (v. 22a)
- i. There are roughly 6 months left until Jesus' crucifixion
 - ii. He has left Caesarea Philippi and now is back in Galilee, near Capernaum (cf. Matt. 16:13; Mark 8:27; 9:33)
 - iii. His public ministry is all but done and He is dedicating His time primarily to His disciples (cf. Mark 9:30)
- b. **The _____** (vs. 22b-23a)
- i. This is the second time Jesus formally predicts His sacrificial death, burial, and resurrection (cf. Matt. 16:21; 17:9, 12; 20:18ff.)
 - ii. These predictions make it clear that He was sovereignly in control of His life and death (John 10:17-18; cf. John 10:11, 15; 12:27; Acts 2:22-23)
 - iii. Son of Man was a less popular Old Testament title for the Messiah (cf. Dan. 7:13)
 - iv. 3 Facets of Jesus' Sacrifice:
 1. **delivered into the hands of men** = **paradidōmi (παράδιδωμι)** = "to hand over, to turn over to, to betray"
 2. **they will kill Him**
 3. **He will be raised on the third day**
- c. **The _____** (v. 23b)
- i. **deeply** = **sphodra (σφόδρα)** "exceedingly, greatly, violently, terrible" (Matt. 2:10; 17:6; 18:31; 19:25; 26:22; 27:54; Mark 16:4; Luke 18:23; Acts 6:7; Rev. 16:21)
 - ii. They didn't understand and were afraid to ask (cf. Mark 9:32; Luke 9:45; 24:25)

II. What Does this Mean to Us?

- a. **God is the _____** (cf. Gen. 1:1, 26-27)
- b. **We Are All Condemned _____** (cf. Rom. 3:10-17, 23; 6:23)

- c. **Jesus Dies to _____ Us** (cf. Rom. 3:24-26)
- i. We are **justified**: declared righteous in the eyes of God!
 - ii. It is a FREE **gift**
 - iii. From the riches of **His grace** (cf. Eph. 2:8-9)
 - iv. We receive it **through the redemption which is IN Christ Jesus**
 - v. **propitiation** = "a two-part act that involves appeasing the wrath of an offended person and being reconciled to him"
 - vi. **forbearance** = "to delay repayment of a debt; to abstain or hold back; akin to patience and self-control"
 1. God shows forbearance in that He holds back the judgment the world deserves (cf. Rom. 2:4)
 - vii. **be just and the justifier** = God maintains His righteousness by providing Jesus' sacrifice to declare that **the one who has faith in Jesus** is righteous
- d. **Jesus _____, was _____, & _____ on the Third Day** (cf. 1 Cor. 15:3-19)
- i. Truth Statement = Jesus' Predictions of His Crucifixion
 - ii. Eyewitness Proof:
 1. _____ = Simon Peter
 2. **to the _____** = Jesus' appearances to the disciples in the upper room (cf. Luke 24:13-49)
 3. **to more than _____ hundred brethren** = Jesus' meeting with the disciples in Galilee for the Great Commission (cf. Matt. 28:16-20)
 4. **to _____** = could be either the Apostles the son of Zebedee or the son of Alphaeus (cf. Mark 3:17-18)
 - a. But I believe its Jesus' half-brother
 5. **to all the _____** = Jesus' various appearances during the 40 days before His ascension (Acts. 1:3; cf. Matt. 28:16-20; Luke 24:50-53; John 21:1-14)
 6. **to one untimely born** = _____ (cf. Acts 9:1-9)
 - iii. Jesus' Resurrection is the assurance that this life is not the end! (cf. 1 Cor. 15:12-19; 54-57)