



THE GREATEST WEEK IN HISTORY

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Monday: *Cleaning Out the Clutter*

Luke's Spirit-inspired goal of revealing Jesus as the long-awaited Servant King is especially clear in the chapters leading up to the death and resurrection of Jesus. In the space of a few chapters, the Righteous One is wrongly accused; the Messiah becomes a martyr; the King is crucified as a common criminal; the perfect Servant of God becomes a sacrifice for the sins of the world and then rises from the dead in glorious triumph.

The story of this week is inspiring, but it is far more than a mere story! This week was the greatest week *in history*, and it matters deeply whether these events really happened in the ways that the Gospel-writers reported them. If these events did not occur in history, "your faith is worthless; you are still in your sins" (1 Cor. 15:17). But if these events did truly happen in history—and I firmly believe that they did—eternal life has been made available through Jesus Christ to everyone who trusts in Him.

The purpose of this Bible Study is to look closely at the final days of Jesus' earthly life from the perspective of Luke's Gospel.

Read Luke 19:45-48

According to Luke 19:46 the temple had become a profit center for those who would take advantage of the needs of worshipers

Considering the following scripture above please note the following:

- There was corruption among the religious leaders.
- There was exclusion of the nations from fellowship with God.
- There was a failure to recognize Jesus as the fulfillment of the temple



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What empty, meaningless activity may Jesus be asking you to stop?

Read Mark 11:12-14,20-21

How often do we monitor the fruitfulness and genuineness of our hearts and activities?

What is the clutter in my heart and life that needs to be cleansed or is superficial?