



further
reflections



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Jesus Grieves Over the City

Luke 13:31-35 ; Psalm 56

1. It was said Sunday, that because Jesus was fully God and fully man, he understands us. What does this truth mean?
2. We also discussed the truth that our God speaks to us compared to other gods. What has God said to you recently?
3. With the truth that God understands us, comes the reality that Jesus understands our pain and sorrow. We noted Sunday the truth that Jesus prayed Scripture. What was the last Scripture passage you used to pray back to God?
4. If you had to pray Scripture depending on your current life situation, what passage or verse would you use?
5. Also on Sunday, we looked at a few times that Jesus wept. The first instance was where Jesus stood at the grave of his friend Lazarus (John 11:35). Why did Lazarus' death cause Jesus to weep? What does this tell you about Jesus?
6. The next time we noticed Jesus weeping in Matthew 26:36 where he is in the Garden of Gethsemane about to be arrested. We talked about how Jesus was 'pressed in on' like an Olive. Can you remember the three Truths we discovered about Olive Trees in Israel?
 - #1- The olive tree will not produce fruit unless it experiences the _____ winds of the east and the _____ winds of the west.
 - #2- Once the olive tree produces fruit, the fruit is not useful until it has gotten rid of its _____ and _____.
 - #3- What's most valuable about the Olive, isn't the _____ itself.
7. We also saw a third time that Jesus wept and it was found in Luke 19:41. It's at this time that Jesus is weeping over Jerusalem. Why did he weep for Jerusalem in this instance? Also read Hebrews 5:7 and discuss this verse with someone.

8. We looked at one more time that Jesus wept, and it too was due to Jesus looking at Jerusalem in Luke 13:31-35. Why did he weep for Jerusalem a second?

9. We have been stating that Jesus was known for praying Scripture. Reread Psalm 56 noticing along the way, where the words of the Psalm may overlap with Jesus' situation in Luke 13:31-35. What words in particular echo Psalm 56?

10. In Luke 13 Jesus says he desires to gather his people like a hen gathers her chickens. What do you think Jesus is getting at here?