

## Matthew 26-27 The Lamb of God

### ▼Review/Intro

#### ▼Last two weeks.

- God has a plan for this reality with a beginning and an end. Chapter 24 was about how things will end. God has a 100% record.
- Chapter 25 was about what believers can do about it. Be ready, be accountable, believe. Does your life reflect these things?

#### ▼This week we come to the first part of the point of everything in scripture; the crucifixion. The second part being the resurrection.

- The crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus are the single most uniting and dividing events ever.
- They either happened or they didn't. I believe that they did. Not because I want to believe it, but because it's true. Since it's true, it should radically effect my life here and in eternity.

### ▼26:1-56 The preparation

#### ▼26:1-29 Physical preparation

- 26:1-5 Who's plan is it?

#### ▼26:6-13 Pre-burial anointing

- Judas said it, others probably agreed. About one-year's wages. Nothing that you pour on Jesus is a waste.
- Play on phrase between trouble and done a beautiful thing. Stop making her work through your self-righteous baggage because the work she has already done is a good thing.
- Contrast the way the house used to smell because Simon was a leper and how it smelled now. Probably lingered for days, after Jesus' burial.

#### ▼26:14-16 Judas make a deal

- Discussion on word for deliver/betray. Translation depends on context. To hand over to the authority of another. UPS delivery. Giving flowers to wife. Tattling on someone.
- Why did Judas do this? No one can say for sure. Speculations.
- Will Judas be in Heaven or Hell? Also debated. I'm glad God decides and not me.

#### ▼26:17-29 Passover meal

- 26:17-19 Get it ready
- 26:20-25 One of you will betray me. Bummer dinner convo!
- 26:26-29 Jesus is the passover. Communion. His body, not ours. His blood, not ours. Stop trying to be the lamb! Beginning of the Gospel.

#### ▼26:30-56 Spiritual preparation

##### ▼26:30-35 You will deny me

- What did they sing? Psalm 113-118. Imagine, knowing what's coming, and still singing praises. Can you do that?
- It is written - Again, the Jewish emphasis. Who does the striking? YHWH.
- Did they believe Him when He said He would see them? It doesn't seem like it.
- It's been said that many are ready to die for Jesus, but are you ready to live for Him?

##### ▼26:36-46 Late night prayer service.

- Personify this. Make it human, relatable.
- ▼What was stressing Jesus out? What is the cup that He didn't want to drink?
  - The result of sin is separation from God. That's our predicament.
  - Jesus, the Son, has always been in perfect fellowship, perfect relationship with His Father. That was about to change.
  - This is a supernatural, trinity thing, I don't pretend to understand the mechanics. 2 Cor. 5:21,

Jesus took all our sin/sins upon Himself. The result would have been separation from the Father.

The great exchange.

▼26:47-56 Jesus' arrest, er, surrender

- Only Roman soldiers could legally carry swords. A mix of Romans and Temple police.
- 26:52 A Jewish idiom. What goes around comes around.
- Emphasis on scripture, Jesus knows His role.

▼26:57 - 27:23 The trials

- 26:57-68 The Jewish trial. The illegality justified, the Jewishness, fulfilled scripture. Liar, lunatic, lord.
- 26:69-75 Peter's trial. Roman rooster. Chickens would defile the city.

▼27:1-23 The Roman trial

- 27:1-2 Jesus delivered to Pilate

▼27:3-10 Judas' trial.

- changed his mind not the same word as repent. "I wish I hadn't done that." Repentance involves a change. Regret involves guilt. 2 Cor. 7:8-10.
- Is Judas saved? No idea. Could he be? Yes. Not based on works.

- 27:11-14 Pilate interviews Jesus. Pilate concerned with the Politics, not religious aspect. Needs to keep things calm or he will lose his head.

- 27:15-23 Jesus tried by public opinion. People want their Jesus, not the real one.

- 27:24-26 Jesus sentenced

▼27:27-54 The Lamb to the slaughter

- 27:27-31 King for a day

- 27:32-44 The crucifixion

▼27:45-50 He died

- Darkness was a judgment in general. God turning His back.

- Perhaps it sounded like name for Elijah through His beaten face and lungs. Muslims claim it was Allah, Allah. Quote from Psalm 22.

- 27:51-54 The crucifixion effect

- 27:55-66 The burial

▼Wrap

- This was the lowest low for His disciples. This was the highest high for his enemies. Should have been the other way around!

▼As I said, the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus are the single most uniting and dividing events ever.

Why? What had just happen?

- Fulfillment of Genesis 3:15. Sin separated/divided. Sin removed. Reconciliation.

- Romans 5:12-19, 6-11.

- God will not accept you, welcome you into His house because you were good enough (obstacle course leading to the door), or weren't as bad as others, or had good intentions but made some mistakes along the way.

- God will welcome you into His house because Jesus is standing there with you saying, "Dad, this is (blank). He's with me."

- Are you with Him? This is what He did to make it possible. This is the only way, and it's a good way. It's the best way. Don't just give your life to Jesus, LIVE your life to Jesus.