

Learning to Follow Jesus: Christ Knew the Cost

Luke 22:1-23

This coming Sunday we will celebrate the risen, victorious Christ. Easter! But before then, as we move through Holy Week, we ponder the passion of Christ. We reflect on Christ's suffering and the sacrifice made on our behalf for our salvation. How costly the price that was paid! How deep the suffering! None of this was a surprise to Jesus. He knew the cost. And yet He willingly chose to go to the cross for us. How great a love!

Opening Discussion: What are special meals in your family?

Read Luke 22:1-23

1. What sticks out to you in this passage?
2. How would you describe the backstory of the Jesus' observance of Passover with his disciples (vv. 1-6)?
3. What is revealed about Jesus as he sends Peter and John to make arrangements to observe the Passover celebration (vv. 7-13)?
4. What was the significance of the Passover celebration in Jewish history?
5. How does Jesus transform what is remembered in Passover?

6. Put yourself in the place of the disciples reclining at the table with Jesus. Think about the words that you are hearing Jesus say. What questions come to your mind? What are you thinking and feeling?

7. How do you see Jesus' resolve to go to the cross and fully follow the Father's will in this passage?

Sam said:

I would encourage you to reflect on and sit with what it truly means that Jesus was completely aware of what our salvation would cost him. His arrest, torture, and crucifixion were not the result of his other plans failing or being unable to find another way. This was the only way...and Jesus believed it to be worth it. This is the sort of realization that led to the authors of our Scriptures filling their pages with awe and praise. This is the sort of truth that has radically transformed lives for centuries. Everything Jesus did he did in willing obedience with the plan of God and in order to save...you. If you are already a believer and follower of Jesus, this week I want you to try to describe not what you think about this...**but how this makes you feel**. What happens in your heart and in your soul when you realize that Christ knew the cost of your forgiveness and your salvation, and did not hesitate to pay it in full?

8. How does it make you feel to know that Jesus willingly went to the cross fully knowing what it would cost him?

Practicing the Rhythms of Rooted this Week

Daily Devotion | Prayer | Repentance | Sacrificial Generosity | Serve the Community | Share Your Story | Worship



Daily Devotion: Use the final week of daily devotionals in the Season of Seeking Guide to continue to seek Jesus.



Worship: This week as we prepare to observe Good Friday and celebrate Easter, worship Jesus. Worship him for his great love that was willing to suffer and die for you.