

Walking with the Word (Study of Jesus' interaction with People)

Giving Godly Counsel

Jesus's Favorite Saying, "It is Written"

Matthew 21:13¹³ And He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer,' but you have made it a 'den of thieves.'"

Matthew 26:31³¹ Then Jesus said to them, "All of you will be made to stumble because of Me this night, for it is written: 'I will strike the Shepherd, And the sheep of the flock will be scattered.'"

Mark 7:6⁶ He answered and said to them, "Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written: 'This people honors Me with their lips, But their heart is far from Me.'"

John 6:45⁴⁵ It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Therefore everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to Me.

* Jesus gave us a model to follow – "It is written..."

Divine Decree for Divorce

Matthew 19:1-9 ...⁴ And He answered and said to them, "Have you not read that He who made *them* at the beginning '*made them male and female*,'⁵ and said, '*For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh*'? ⁶ So then, they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let not man separate."

Mark 12:10-11¹⁰ Have you not even read this Scripture: 'The stone which the builders rejected *Has become the chief cornerstone*.'¹¹ *This was the LORD's doing, And it is marvelous in our eyes*?'"

* The importance of reading Word of God/Bible! Have you read it?

False Skeptics (Sadducees who say there is no resurrection)

Matthew 22:23-33²⁹ Jesus answered and said to them, "You are mistaken, not knowing the Scriptures nor the power of God."³⁰ For in the resurrection they neither marry nor are given in marriage, but are like angels of God in heaven.³¹ But concerning the resurrection of the dead, have you not read what was spoken to you by God, saying,³² '*I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob*'? God is not the God of the dead, but of the living.'³³ And when the multitudes heard *this*, they were astonished at His teaching.

Matt 22:41-46 – Jesus asks question about David wrote/Psalms...

Mark 12:28-33 – Scribe asks greatest commandment – Jesus quotes

* The importance of knowing what the Word of God/Bible says!

Danger of Reasoning vs. God's Word

Luke 24:13-27¹⁵ So it was, while they conversed and reasoned, that Jesus Himself drew near and went with them...²¹²⁵ Then He said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken!²⁶ Ought not the Christ to have suffered these things and to enter into His glory?"²⁷ And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself.

God's Word vs. Man's Words/Religion

Matthew 15:1-6³ He answered and said to them, "Why do you also transgress the commandment of God because of your tradition?"⁴ For God commanded, saying, '*Honor your father and your mother*'; and, '*He who curses father or mother, let him be put to death*.'⁵ But you say, 'Whoever says to his father or mother, "Whatever profit you might have received from me is a gift to God"—⁶ then he need not honor his father or mother.' Thus you have made the commandment of God of no effect by your tradition.

Matthew 21:12-13¹² Then Jesus went into the temple of God and drove out all those who bought and sold in the temple, and overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves.¹³ And He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer,' but you have made it a 'den of thieves.'"

Jesus said it was Truth

John 17:17-19¹⁷ Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.¹⁸ As You sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world.¹⁹ And for their sakes I sanctify Myself, that they also may be sanctified by the truth.

John 12:48⁴⁸ He who rejects Me, and does not receive My words, has that which judges him— the word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day.

Application

1. Read the Word of God – So you can KNOW what it says
2. Read the Word of God – So you can say "It is written..." this week
3. Know the word to you can give an answer to skeptics
4. Think about what "religious" things you/we do – Think Biblical reason?
5. Be sanctified by truth & let the truth be your judge this week – it will be!