

(Thursday: Eve of the Cross)

Core Christianity XII: Life Without Jesus

Since Jesus would be dead in less than 24 hours there would be some areas of life that the disciples would need to concentrate on. Today we consider the first 3:

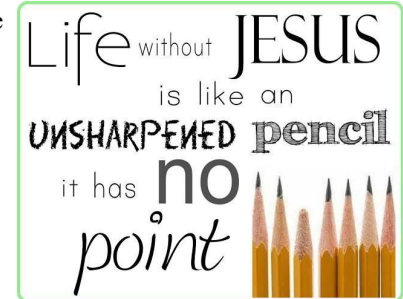
1. We should be cross _____, Romans 8:1, 15-18, 26, 28-29, 31-32, 35-36

***Luke 22:15** Then He said to them, "With fervent desire I have desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer;*

***Luke 22:19** And He took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me."*

The New Testament is full of blessings from the cross. Consider Romans 8 alone:

- #1. No fear that we will ever be condemned, verse 1
- #2. No doubt that we have a wonderful future, v15-18
- #3. Confidence in weakness, v26
- #4. Confidence for trials, v28-29
- #5. Joy that God is for us, v31-32
- #6. Certainty of His continuing love, v35-39



***Romans 1:16** For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.*

***1 Corinthians 2:2** For I determined not to know anything among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified.*

***Galatians 2:20** I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.*

***2 Corinthians 5:14-15** For the love of Christ compels us, because we judge thus: that if One died for all, then all died; 15 and He died for all, that those who live should live no longer for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again.*

***Philippians 3:8** Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ*

***1 John 2:15-17** Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16 For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world. 17 And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever.*

2. We should be lovingly _____, John 16:7, 13:34-35, 15:12-13, 17-19, 17:26

Matthew 26:31 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.'"

John 20:19 Then, the same day at evening, ... when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, ..."

Leviticus 19:18... you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord.



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3. We should be _____ ready, John 13:36-38

1 Peter 4:8 And above all things have fervent love for one another, for "love will cover a multitude of sins."

John 7:33-34 Then Jesus said to them, "I shall be with you a little while longer, and then I go to Him who sent Me. 34 You will seek Me and not find Me, and where I am you cannot come."

1 Peter 5:8-9 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. 9 Resist him, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world.

Luke 22:31-32... "Simon, Simon! Indeed, Satan has asked for you, that he may sift you as wheat. 32 But I have prayed for you, that your faith should not fail; and when you have returned to Me, strengthen your brethren."

Luke 22:33... "Lord, I am ready to go with You, both to prison and to death."

Mark 14:30.... "Assuredly, I say to you that today, even this night, before the rooster crows twice, you will deny Me three times."

Mark 14:72 A second time the rooster crowed. Then Peter called to mind the word that Jesus had said to him, "Before the rooster crows twice, you will deny Me three times." And when he thought about it, he wept.

Matthew 26:41 Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."



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The Thursday Before the Crucifixion (Evening)

(Luke 22) {15} Then He said to them, "With fervent desire I have desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; {16} "for I say to you, I will no longer eat of it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." {17} Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; {18} "for I say to you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes."

(Matthew 26) {26} And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is My body." (Luke 22:19 which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me) {27} Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. (Luke 22:23 and they all drank from it) {28} "For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many (Luke 22:20 for you) for the remission of sins. {29} "But I say to you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom."

(John 13) {34} "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. {35} "By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another." {36} Simon Peter said to Him, "Lord, where are You going?" Jesus answered him, "Where I am going you cannot follow Me now, but you shall follow Me afterward."

(Luke 22) {31} And the Lord said, "Simon, Simon! Indeed, Satan has asked for you, that he may sift you as wheat. {32} "But I have prayed for you, that your faith should not fail; and when you have returned to Me, strengthen your brethren."

(John 13) {37} Peter said to Him, "Lord, why can I not follow You now? I will lay down my life for Your sake." (Luke 22:33 "Lord, I am ready to go with You, both to prison and to death.") {38} Jesus answered him, "Will you lay down your life for My sake? Most assuredly, I say to you, the rooster shall not crow (Luke 22:34 this day) till you have denied Me three times."

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