The Tuesday Before the Crucifixion XIV

Matthew 25 {31} "When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. [32] "All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats. {33} "And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. {34} "Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: {35} 'for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; {36} 'I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me. $/{37}$ "Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when \overline{did} we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink? {38} 'When did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and clothe You? {39} 'Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?' {40} "And the King will answer and say to them, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.' [41] "Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels: {42} 'for I was hungry and you gave Me no food; I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink; {43} 'I was a stranger and you did not take Me in, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit *Me.' {44}* "*Then they also will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry or* thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?' {45} "Then He will answer them, saying, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.' {46} "And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.""

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On the Tuesday before His death, as Jesus leaves the temple, Jesus' disciples ask <u>4</u> <u>questions</u>. This results in Jesus longest answer recorded anywhere in the gospels (Matthew 24-25).

In Matthew 25:31-46 is the historic event (future history) of the sheep and the goats. We will make 3 comments:

1. True faith _____, Matthew 24:30-31, 41, 25:31-34

Revelation 6:14–17 Then the sky receded as a scroll when it is rolled up, and every mountain and island was moved out of its place. 15 And the kings of the earth, the great men, the rich men, the commanders, the mighty men, every slave and every free man, hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains, 16 and said to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of Him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! 17 For the great day of His wrath has come, and who is able to stand?" **Romans 5:9** Much more than having now been instified by His blood we shall be screed

<u>Romans 5:9</u> Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.

Joel 3:2 I will also gather all nations, And bring them down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat;
And I will enter into judgment with them there On account of My people, My heritage Israel,
Whom they have scattered among the nations; They have also divided up My land.

Joel 3:14–15 Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision. 15 The sun and moon will grow dark, And the stars will diminish their brightness.

Ezekiel 20:37–38 "I will make you pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant; 38 I will purge the rebels from among you, and those who transgress against *W Me*; *I* will bring them out of the country where they dwell, but they shall not enter the land of Israel. Then you will know that I am the Lord.

Romans 11:26 And so all Israel will be saved. ...:

Luke 6:45 A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart brings forth evil. For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.

Ephesians 2:8–10 For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of vourselves; it is the gift of God, 9 not of works, lest anyone should boast. 10 For we are His

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workmanship. created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

James 2:17 Thus also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

John 20:31 but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

1 John 2:4-6 He who says, "I know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. 5 But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is perfected in him. By this we know that we are in Him. 6 He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked.

2. True faith, Matthew 25:34-40 <u>*1 John 2:10*</u> He who loves his brother abides in the light, and there is no cause for stumbling in him.

1 John 3:10 In this the children of God and the children of the devil are manifest: Whoever does not practice righteousness is not of God, nor is he who does not love his brother. **1** John 3:14 We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love the brethren.



He who does not love his brother abides in death. 1 John 3:17 But whoever has this world's goods, and sees his brother in need, and shuts up his heart from him, how

does the love of God abide in him? 1 John 4:7 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of *God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows* God

1 Corinthians 13:4–8 Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; 5 does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; 6 does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; 7 bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. 8 Love never fails. ...

3. True love is

, Matthew 25:41-46

Titus 3:4–5 But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared. 5 not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, *w* through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit,

- Galatians 5:22–23 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness,
- goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control. ...
- Job 6:14 "To him who is afflicted, kindness should be shown by his friend,
- **Proverbs** 19:22 What is desired in a man is kindness....
- ふる **Proverbs 31:26** ... on her tongue is the law of kindness.
 - **1 Corinthians 13:4** Love suffers long and is kind; ...;
 - **Ephesians 4:32** And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave vou.

Colossians 3:12 Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering;

- **Romans 12:10** Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, ...;
- **2 Peter 1:7** to godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness love.

John 13:35 By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.'

