



Maranatha Weekly Study Guide - 3/24/2021

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Here are some things the adults are learning about this week that we can learn too!

- The Kingdom of the Lamb (Jesus) is the opposite of the kingdom of the world.
 - The World wants power and often tries to scare people into joining them and uses mean ways to oppress people.
 - The Lamb's Kingdom is all about loving and serving others like Jesus did and inviting them to be a part of His family. It's a loving invitation, not forcing others to join.
- Jesus is the ultimate winner. This means that in the end, He conquers the sinful world and as a part of His family, we get to live with Him in his Kingdom forever.
- Those who reject His invitation have to live separate from Jesus for eternity. This should break our hearts and motivate us to tell others that Jesus loves them.

READ AND DISCUSS: Read Matthew 2:1-11, Luke 19:29-42 or "The True King" in The Beginner's Bible starting on page 427.

The people were expecting a worldly kingdom full of power, riches, and military might. The country of Rome had taken over their land and they thought Jesus came to take it back and set them free. As Jesus entered Jerusalem riding on a donkey, the people waved palm branches and shouted "Hosanna! Blessed is the King of Israel!" Jesus did come to set them free, but not in the way they expected or anticipated. He came to serve others with humility, take our punishment, and to free us from sin.

- Why do you think Jesus came riding in on a donkey instead of a mighty stallion?
- The word "Hosanna!" means "Please Save Us!" Why do you think the people chose this word?
- What do you think it would have been like watching Jesus ride into the city on Palm Sunday?
- Why did the people lay palm branches and cloaks before Jesus?
- What would you do if a King visited you?

MEMORIZE: Joshua 1:9 "Have I not commanded you, be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

HAVE FUN:

1. Trace your hand on a piece of green construction paper (or white paper that you can color green. Trace and cut out 5-6 hand prints.
2. Glue the handprints to a popsicle stick, a paper towel tube or even a stick to make your own palm branch.
3. Wave around the palm branch saying "Hosanna!" and celebrate that Jesus has come to save us, not as the world anticipated, but as a loving Lamb.

Reward and Judgment

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Text: Revelation 14:11b, 13

Midway Q & A

- How did you come to this reading of Revelation?
- Why do you think American Christians have dogmatized the dispensational reading of Revelation?
- How can we best confront and counteract the rampant Secular Humanism that holds our society hostage?

Revelation Chapter 14 - Reward and Judgment

The Nature of Discipleship (14:1-5)

- The concept of _____ (v. 1).
- Engaging in spiritual _____ (v. 4)
- Unconditionally following _____ (v. 4).
- Being like Jesus (v. 5).

The World System Judged and Disciples Rewarded (14:6-13)

- The gospel proclaimed and _____ (vv. 6-7).
- The power of _____ and pleasure (v. 8).
- Everlasting conscious _____ (vv. 9-11).
- Perseverance rewarded (vv. 12-13).

Certain and Severe Judgment (14:14-20)

- Harvest images and horses' bridles.

Life Enrichment

What about today's teaching challenged, disturbed, or encouraged you?

- Given the chaos of chapters 12 and 13, what comfort do you find in 14:1-5?
- What qualities characterize the Lamb's army in 14:1-5? How is it different from the crowd that follows the Beast (13:4, 8, 26-27; 14:8)?
- Who is qualified to sing the new song of 14:3? Do you think you are qualified? Why or why not?
- What is the essence of the gospel in 14:7? Why do you think people refuse to believe the gospel?
- In 14:8, who (or what) is "Babylon the Great?"
- What power do materialism and pleasure hold over people? Why are they so enticing? How do they prevent people from following Christ?
- How do you feel about John's description of everlasting punishment in 14:9-11? How seriously do you think we take this?
- Do we view the unredeemed as people headed to this terrible judgment? If we did, would it change our praying, acting, and speaking? How?
- How are believers rewarded for their faithfulness (14:12-13)?
- When we read the descriptions of God's awful judgments in 14:14-20, what should it motivate us to do?
- Do you think that the end of the world is near? Why or why not? How does this affect your life?