

RESURRECTION WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE

JESUS CHRIST THE SON OF GOD, SAVIOR OF THE WORLD

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE CHAPTER 19:1-24:12

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

"WHAT IF YOU BELIEVED IN JESUS TODAY?"

THE MINISTRY AND PASSION OF JESUS CHRIST

SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:

Savoir, Faith, Salvation, Passion, Suffering, Belief

Introduction to the Text;

Luke 19:1-24:12

The Theme and Textual Summation of the Message

Christian - This Week is Our Week

and what it stands for, and what happened in history, and what it means
can never, will never, shall never be taken from us.

The Awesome and Glorious Truth of This Week in History

cannot be defeated or assaulted. Some Man may Attempt to Attack It,
A Woman may Try to Laugh It Off or Some Pagan Cult may Seek to Rewrite It,

But This Week in History Demands

Requires Every Human Being Either
Accept Those Recorded Events or Reject Them...

2Pet. 1:16

For we did not follow cunningly devised fables when we made known to you the power
and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were
eyewitnesses of His majesty.

2Tim. 1:12

...for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I
have committed to Him until that Day.

WHAT IF YOU BELIEVED IN JESUS TODAY ?

On **Palm Sunday** -

Luke 19:28-44

**What If You Would Have Come to Believe in Jesus Christ
On Palm Sunday;**

IF YOU WOULD HAVE, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN BECAUSE

what you were seeing and hearing was exactly what the bible had said
would happen !

Jesus Was Riding into Jerusalem

Zech. 9:9

“Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to you; He is just and having salvation, Lowly and riding on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey.

WHAT IF YOU BELIEVED IN JESUS TODAY ?

On **Passion Monday** -

Luke 19:45-48

**What If You Would Have Come to Believe in Jesus Christ
On Passion Monday;**

IF YOU WOULD HAVE, IT COULD HAVE BEEN BECAUSE

Jesus Wasn't Being Politically Correct

Truth Resonates in The Heart.

John 10:27-28

My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. :28 And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand.

WHAT IF YOU BELIEVED IN JESUS TODAY ?

What If You Would Have Come to Believe in Jesus Christ On Passion Tuesday;

IF YOU WOULD HAVE, IT COULD HAVE BEEN BECAUSE

This Was Jesus' Most Ministry Active Day Ever.

The Pharisee's Challenged Authority, He Challenged Theirs !

Luke 20:1-8

Now it happened on one of those days, as He taught the people in the temple and preached the gospel, *that* the chief priests and the scribes, together with the elders, confronted *Him* :2 and spoke to Him, saying, "Tell us, by what authority are You doing these things? Or who is he who gave You this authority?" :3 But He answered and said to them, "I also will ask you one thing, and answer Me: :4 The baptism of John—was it from heaven or from men?" :5 ¶ And they reasoned among themselves, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven,' He will say, 'Why then did you not believe him?' :6 But if we say, 'From men,' all the people will stone us, for they are persuaded that John was a prophet." :7 So they answered that they did not know where *it* was from. :8 And Jesus said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things."

OR - IT COULD HAVE BEEN BECAUSE

Jesus Confronted Israel's Idle Shepherds

Luke 20:9-16

:9 Then He began to tell the people this parable: "A certain man planted a vineyard, leased it to vinedressers, and went into a far country for a long time. :10 Now at vintage-time he sent a servant to the vinedressers, that they might give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the vinedressers beat him and sent *him* away empty-handed. :11 Again he sent another servant; and they beat him also, treated *him* shamefully, and sent *him* away empty-handed. :12 And again he sent a third; and they wounded him also and cast *him* out. :13 "Then the owner of the vineyard said, 'What shall I do? I will send my beloved son. Probably they will respect *him* when they see him.' :14 But when the vinedressers saw him, they reasoned among themselves, saying, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him, that the inheritance may be ours.' :15 So they cast him out of the vineyard and killed *him*. Therefore what will the owner of the vineyard do to them? :16 He will come and destroy those vinedressers and give the vineyard to others.'" And when they heard *it* they said, "Certainly not!"

OR - IT COULD HAVE BEEN BECAUSE

Jesus' Wisdom Was Overwhelming

Luke 20:20-26

So they watched *Him*, and sent spies who pretended to be righteous, that they might seize on His words, in order to deliver Him to the power and the authority of the governor. :21 Then they asked Him, saying, "Teacher, we know that You say and teach rightly, and You do not show personal favoritism, but teach the way of God in truth: :22 Is it lawful for us to pay taxes to Caesar or not?" :23 But He perceived their craftiness, and said to them, "**Why do you test Me? :24 Show Me a denarius. Whose image and inscription does it have?**" ¶ They answered and said, "Caesar's." :25 And He said to them, "**Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's.**" :26 But they could not catch Him in His words in the presence of the people. And they marveled at His answer and kept silent.

IT COULD HAVE BEEN BECAUSE

Jesus Exposed The Hypocrisy of the Religionist

Luke 20:45-47

Then, in the hearing of all the people, He said to His disciples, :46 "**Beware of the scribes, who desire to go around in long robes, love greetings in the marketplaces, the best seats in the synagogues, and the best places at feasts, :47 who devour widows' houses, and for a pretense make long prayers. These will receive greater condemnation.**"

IT COULD HAVE BEEN BECAUSE

Luke 21:7-13

So they asked Him, saying, "Teacher, but when will these things be? And what sign *will there be* when these things are about to take place?" :8 And He said: "**Take heed that you not be deceived. For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am He,' and, 'The time has drawn near.'** Therefore do not go after them. :9 But when you hear of wars and commotions, do not be terrified; for these things must come to pass first, but the end *will not come* immediately." :10 Then He said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. :11 And there will be great earthquakes in various places, and famines and pestilences; and there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven. :12 But before all these things, they will lay their hands on you and persecute *you*, delivering *you* up to the synagogues and prisons. You will be brought before kings and rulers for My name's sake. :13 But it will turn out for you as an occasion for testimony.

WHAT IF YOU BELIEVED IN JESUS TODAY ?

On **Passion Wednesday** -

Luke 22:1-6

What If You Would Have Come to Believe in Jesus Christ On Passion Wednesday;

IF YOU WOULD HAVE, IT COULD HAVE BEEN BECAUSE

There was a Huddle from Hell Taking Place.

On This Night in History

Judas made his first attempt to arrange the betrayal of
Jesus to the religious leaders.

(a price is agreed upon)

Zech. 11:12-13 & (Matt. 27:9-10)

Then I said to them, "If it is agreeable to you, give *me* my wages; and if not, refrain." So they weighed out for my wages thirty *pieces* of silver. :13 And the LORD said to me, "Throw it to the potter"—that princely price they set on me. So I took the thirty *pieces* of silver and threw them into the house of the LORD for the potter.

Matt. 27:9-10 & (Zech. 11:12-13)

Then was fulfilled what was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet, saying, "*And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the value of Him who was priced, whom they of the children of Israel priced, :10 and gave them for the potter's field, as the LORD directed me.*"

WHAT IF YOU BELIEVED IN JESUS TODAY ?

On **Passion Thursday** -

Luke 22:7-53

What If You Would Have Come to Believe in Jesus Christ On Passion Thursday;

IF YOU WOULD HAVE, IT COULD HAVE BEEN BECAUSE

The Passover Supper

Luke 22:7

Then came the Day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover must be killed.

Jesus Communicates to His Disciples, "This is My Body Offered for You"

Luke 22:17-20

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." :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." :20 Likewise He also took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup *is* the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you.

IF YOU WOULD HAVE, IT COULD HAVE BEEN BECAUSE

The Garden of Gethsemane

Luke 22:42-44

saying, "Father, if it is Your will, take this cup away from Me; nevertheless not My will, but Yours, be done." :43 Then an angel appeared to Him from heaven, strengthening Him. :44 And being in agony, He prayed more earnestly. Then His sweat became like great drops of blood falling down to the ground.

The Arrest of Jesus

Luke 22:47-48

And while He was still speaking, behold, a multitude; and he who was called Judas, one of the twelve, went before them and drew near to Jesus to kiss Him. :48 But Jesus said to him, "Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?"

WHAT IF YOU BELIEVED IN JESUS TODAY ?

On Good Friday -

Luke 22:54-23:55

**What If You Would Have Come to Believe in Jesus Christ
On Good Friday;**

IF YOU WOULD HAVE, IT COULD HAVE BEEN BECAUSE

of Peter's Denial

Luke 22:60-62

But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are saying!" ¶ Immediately, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed. :61 And the Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how He had said to him, "Before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times." :62 So Peter went out and wept bitterly.

IF YOU WOULD HAVE, IT COULD HAVE BEEN BECAUSE

He Was Being Beaten

Luke 22:63-65

Now the men who held Jesus mocked Him and beat Him. :64 And having blindfolded Him, they struck Him on the face and asked Him, saying, "Prophecy! Who is the one who struck You?" :65 And many other things they blasphemously spoke against Him.

IF YOU WOULD HAVE, IT COULD HAVE BEEN BECAUSE

Chapter 23:1-25

IF YOU WOULD HAVE, IT COULD HAVE BEEN BECAUSE

He Was Being Crucified Unjustly

Chapter 23:26-49

In The Midst of The Torture

Luke 23:33-34

And when they had come to the place called Calvary, there they crucified Him, and the criminals, one on the right hand and the other on the left.

:34 Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do."

Luke 23:39-43

Then one of the criminals who were hanged blasphemed Him, saying, "If You are the Christ, save Yourself and us." :40 But the other, answering, rebuked him, saying, "Do you not even fear God, seeing you are under the same condemnation? :41 And we indeed justly, for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has done nothing wrong." :42 Then he said to Jesus, "Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom." :43 And Jesus said to him, "Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise."

IF YOU WOULD HAVE, IT COULD HAVE BEEN BECAUSE

He Was Being Crucified Unjustly

Chapter 23:50-55

WHAT IF YOU BELIEVED IN JESUS TODAY ?

On **Passion Saturday**

Luke: 23:56

**What If You Would Have Come to Believe in Jesus Christ
On Passion Saturday;**

IF YOU WOULD HAVE, IT COULD HAVE BEEN BECAUSE

It All Began to Sink In...

Luke 23:56

Then they returned and prepared spices and fragrant oils. And they rested on the Sabbath according to the commandment.

WHAT IF YOU BELIEVED IN JESUS TODAY ?

On **Resurrection Sunday**

Luke: 24:1-12

**What If You Would Have Come to Believe in Jesus Christ
On Resurrection Sunday;**

IF YOU WOULD HAVE, IT COULD HAVE BEEN BECAUSE

2Cor. 6:1-2

We then, as workers together *with Him* also plead with *you* not to receive the grace of God in vain. :2 For He says: "*In an acceptable time I have heard you, And in the day of salvation I have helped you.*" Behold, now *is* the accepted time; behold, now *is* the day of salvation.

**Wouldn't You Like to Finally Except
Jesus Christ Today?**

Do You Need Ministry of Any Kind?

*as soon as this song is over, you come forward today,
and experience God's mercy and grace in your own life.*

End of Study
