

Fulfilled - John 19:31-37
Notes, Family Worship, Bible Reading

Notes from the Sermon

As believers we are constantly bombarded with doubts. Doubts about our finances, doubts about our worth, doubts about our purpose, and even doubts about our faith in God. Is the story of the crucified king as recorded in the gospels and in our account of John, something that can build our faith? Is the cross and messianic prophecies just a really neat story? Or is there a divine and sovereign plan, a handprint that has been continually pointing us to a crucified King?

The cross of Christ cannot simply be a moment in history. As we read the gospel accounts of the crucifixion, we have to understand that they were written so we would respond in faith. Each glance to the cross should remind us that God has been faithful to his promises.

As we look to the descriptions and prophecies of the Messiah, written over a 1000 years before his life and death, we will find incredible faith that God did have a plan. And this plan is a constant reminder of his goodness, grace, mercy and love for his people. "

Bible Reading for the Week

Daily Bible Readings

Sun	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 Timothy 1	1 Timothy 2	1 Timothy 3	1 Timothy 4	1 Timothy 5	1 Timothy 6	2 Timothy 1

Reading from this past week: John 19:31-37

Reading in preparation for this coming Sunday: John 19:38-42

Family Worship

Oh Great God - Matt Boswell version here

<https://youtu.be/gOPbanJKWE8>

Gospel Project

Story: The Church Showed Favoritism

Main Point: James calls us to treat people with mercy because Jesus shows us mercy.

Big Picture Question: Why does God want us to obey Him?

Answer: Obedience is our response to God's love for us.

Scripture: James 2:1-13

New City Catechism

Question 11: What does God require in the sixth, seventh, and eighth commandments?

Answer: Sixth, that we do not hurt or hate our neighbor. Seventh, that we live purely and faithfully. Eighth, that we do not take without permission that which belongs to someone else.

Verse: Romans 13:9

For the commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

Scripture

John 19:31-37

*What are some ways that Jesus' death was a fulfillment of Old Testament prophecy.

*We say that every verse and every story in the Bible points to Jesus. What do you think this means?

*What does the fact that things in Jesus' crucifixion story were prophesied in the Old Testament tell us about God and His purpose?

Prayer

*Spend some time this week reading Psalm 22 and using it to pray about the beauty of the cross.

*Pray that our church would share the Gospel with neighbors as we move toward Easter.