

The Big Picture

(Lk.20-23)

I. The Setting – Luke

19:28-40

- Triumphant entry speaks volumes about Jesus . . .
 1. Resurrection of Lazarus: greatly esteemed
 2. He is conspicuous
 3. Hatred of His is enemies at all time high,
Jn.11

19:41-44

- Decrees doom on Jerusalem

19:45-46

- Causes scene at Temple...

19:47-48

- Public teaching, daily, in Temple [45-46]
- Popularity increases (48)

20:1-8

- Easily defeats enemies, exposes ignorance

20:9-19

- Judgment parable . . . further irritated them

20:20-44

- Spies to trip Him up, deliver Him...
 1. Taxes
 2. Resurrection of dead
 3. Son of David

20:45-47

- Condemned hypocrisy of scribes; great pretenders

21:1-4

- Commends poor widow, not religious leaders

21:5-36

- Destruction Of Jerusalem

21:37-38

- More success

22:1-6

- Murder plans

22:7-23

- He introduces Lord's supper
- Prepares for His death
 - So do Jews (2)
 - So does Judas (3-5)

22:24-27

- 23: disciples argue over who is worst
- 24-27: disciples argue over who is best
- Jesus will die for these?

22:31-34

- Concern for Simon (Jesus is not preoccupied with His own 'problems').

22:37

- Jesus fulfills Isa.53:12, 'and was numbered with the transgressors'

22:39-46

- Goes to convenient place to get arrested
- In garden: blood is first drawn ... by agony

22:47-53

- Answer to His prayer: Judas kiss

22:54-62

- In house of high priest
- Peter's denials
- Peter unwittingly fulfills Lord's prophecy
- So does a rooster

22:63-65

- Mistreated: vented pent-up hatred

22:66-71

- Sanhedrin: religious judgment
 - 67: charge of blasphemy will not convict Him. “Messiah” may.
 - 69-70: bound, alone, surrounded, yet . . .

23:1-5

- Pilate: civil judgment. More lies.

23:6-12

- Herod: joyful to see Jesus
- Soon: Jesus will talk; Herod will not answer

23:13-17

- Pilate: no fault.

23:18-25

- bar-abbas – significant name; true criminal
- Jesus is despised and shamed (below uncommon criminal)

23:26

- Weakness (strain; loss of sleep / blood)

23:27-31

- Congratulated barren women

23:33-38

- Prayed for persecutors

23:39-43

- Promised greatest blessings to robber

23:44-49

- Concerned for us
- 46: breathe out one's life / soul; expire
- 47: came to see a show...

I. The Setting – Luke

II. The Salvation – Liberation
(Ro.6:22)

Design of God, Isa.53

- Jesus was not
 - caught off guard, Mt.26:53. 2 K.6
 - indifferent to man's condition. Jn.3:16
 - Merely killed, but perfect sacrifice for sins, once and for all.

...who does not need daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins & then for the people's, for this He did once for all when He offered up Himself – Hb.7:27

Design of God, Isa.53

Death of Jesus, Mk.14:33-34

- Gethsemane: *olive press* – place of crushing
- 33: *troubled*: mingled amazement and terror
- 33: *deeply distressed*: troubled
- 34: *exceedingly sorrowful*: deeply distressed
- Lk.22:44: anguish; intense sorrow (*agony*)

‘This is the temptation of Jesus by every element of anguish, as He was tempted in the wilderness by every element of desire’ (Farrar).

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Death of Jesus, Mk.14:33-34

- We cannot understand wickedness of sin, terrors of divine wrath
- Hematidrosis
- Mk.14:34, to point of death

One Who had been the disciples' comforter in every trial now needs their support

Design of God, Isa.53

Death of Jesus, Mk.14:33-34

Deliverance by His Death, Jn.1:29

Jn.12:32

- Devotion, gratitude. Gal.2:20
- Justification. Ro.4:25

“He lived that He might die;
He died that we might live.”

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- Many seek “good death”
- Did Jesus have a “good death”?
 - **Eu-thanasia**

Highwater mark of OT: Ps.23:4

Highwater mark of NT: Ph.1:23

Jesus (1/2)

He who is the Bread of Life began His ministry hungering.

He who is the Water of Life ended His ministry thirsting.

Christ hungered as man, and fed the hungry as God.

He was weary, and yet He is our rest.

He paid tribute, and yet He is the King.

He was called a devil, and cast out devils....

Jesus (2/2)

He prayed, and yet He hears prayer.

He wept, and He dries our tears.

He was sold for thirty pieces of silver,
and redeems the world.

He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, and
is the Good Shepherd.

He died, and gave His life, and by dying
destroys death.