



Truth for Today

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What Jesus Got Angry About

By Aaron Kemple (Men's Daily Briefing, February, 2020)

Today is a continuation of a study on anger.

Let's think about this question: When do you see Jesus angry or indignant in the four gospel accounts?

What we find is a consistent pattern – Jesus was angry when others were being hurt. This is not to say that Jesus never got angry about anything else, but the consistent message from the four gospels is Jesus really got upset when others were being oppressed. As Adrian Rogers put it something like this, Jesus was angry when he saw “hard hearts in the face of human hurts.”

God is the defender and father of the helpless and oppressed.

Psalms 68:5-6 Father of the fatherless and protector of widows is God in his holy habitation. God settles the solitary in a home; he leads out the prisoners to prosperity, but the rebellious dwell in a parched land.

Jesus was angry and sad at their hard hearts in the face of human hurts.

Mark 3:1-6 Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there with a withered hand. And they watched Jesus, to see whether he would heal him on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man with the withered hand, “Come here.” And he said to them, “Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to kill?” But they were silent. And he looked around at them with anger, grieved at their hardness of heart, and said to the man, “Stretch out your hand.” He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately held counsel with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

Jesus was “greatly displeased” when His disciples tried to run off the little children.

Mark 10:13-16 Then they brought little children to Him, that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. But when Jesus saw it, He was greatly displeased and said to them, “Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it.” And He took them up in His arms, laid His hands on them, and blessed them.

Jesus was angry at those who “devoured widows’ houses” for their own financial gain.

Mark 12:40 who devour widows’ houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.”

Jesus was angry when the religious leaders became thieves by turning God’s house of worship into a place to take ad-

vantage of the poor.

Matthew 21:12-13 And Jesus entered the temple and drove out all who sold and bought in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold pigeons. He said to them, “It is written, ‘My house shall be called a house of prayer,’ but you make it a den of robbers.”

Jesus was angry when those religious leaders were hypocrites and laid heavy burdens on people, but wouldn’t lift a finger to move those burdens themselves.

Matthew 23:4 They tie up heavy burdens, hard to bear, and lay them on people’s shoulders, but they themselves are not willing to move them with their finger.

Do not put your trust in earthly princes

By Doy Moyer

I find it interesting that in the midst of a passage intended to provide comfort for God’s people, and in declaring God’s greatness, we find this (Isa 40:15, 17, 23):

“Behold, the nations are like a drop from a bucket, and are accounted as the dust on the scales...”

“All the nations are as nothing before him; they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness.”

God “brings princes to nothing, and makes the rulers of the earth as emptiness.”

No nation will stand forever. If Assyria and Babylon were but a drop from a bucket, accounted by God as less than nothing and emptiness, with princes and rulers brought to nothing, so also is the USA, Russia, China, and every other nation.

Christians, then, while seeking the welfare of the place wherein they live (wherever that may be), are not to idolize any nation or ruler, for all nations and rulers will come and go. To God, they are as nothing. They will be taken up like fine dust. Do not put your trust in earthly princes or powers.

Regardless of our earthly citizenship, which sometimes can be utilized for the benefit of the spread of the gospel, our heavenly citizenship overrides all other factors (Phil 3:19-20). We are part of a “kingdom that shall never be destroyed” and will never be “left to another people” (Dan 2:44).

Even so, all the nations are yet invited to partake of the tree of life for their healing (Rev 22:2).

There is, indeed, great comfort in all of this. Have you not known? Have you not heard?

NEWS & NOTES

UPDATED PRAYER LIST

- **Linda Faughn** is slowly recovering from her ablation with good and bad days.
- **Harvey Goble** is doing well after his procedure.
- **Doug Hall** is doing very well and follows up with his doctor in early July.
- **Mitch Harvey** is home after his ablation on Monday and doing well.
- Several of our senior members who are confined in their senior home and still unable to get out are feeling blue and would love your prayers, cards and calls: **the Halls, Bill Hooton, Linda Peterson, the Yaws**
- **Erin Dulin's** mother, Carol Lee, is healing, but discovered in her last visit that her shoulder was broken in three places in her fall. She will see her doctor in five weeks for an update.
- Craig Preuss' dad, Arthur, was diagnosed last week with stage 2 kidney cancer that is removable and not expected to spread. Surgery is scheduled for early August.
- Dehbrenda Preuss' dad, Bill Harrison, is continuing treatments for his cancer and needs continuing prayers.
- Connor Foster, the boyfriend of Preuss' daughter Lindsay, remains in ICU at Woodlands Memorial Hermann after surgery to repair his spine after a swimming accident. He's fighting pneumonia now and hopeful that by Friday, he will no longer need the ventilator.
- Ed Brand (whom we support), in Russellville, Alabama, was tested negative for COVID-19 after two positives and being quarantined. His wife Pat was positive in her last test.
- **ECONOMIC CHALLENGES.** There are still some of our church family who have had pay-cuts, furloughs, and job loss. Please let the elders know. There are many who are ready to help. There are some who are presently

concerned and are asking for prayers: Amanda Allison's husband Jamie and Noelle Davis. No doubt there are others.

• **PRAY FOR PEACE.** There is much unrest and much hurt and hatred in our society. It is frightening for many, and there are many civil servants and private citizens putting themselves in harm's way to keep peace. There are also many people hurting as evidenced by what caused the protests that were peaceful. *You can make a difference by loving all of them, listening to them and embracing them - especially people of color. Love everyone and pray for everyone.*

• **REASON TO REJOICE!** Alyssa Preuss was baptized in Christ last week! We rejoice with the Alyssa, her family and the angels in Heaven!

—See Enews for Ongoing Prayer List

MEETINGS, EVENTS, SINGINGS & STUDIES

- Sunday Worship Assemblies
 - Reserved seating for members and those who regularly attend with us. Please contact an elder if there is any change planned in upcoming weeks: if you 1) will be out of town, 2) are changing your time slot (from last Sunday) or, 3) if you will have more than your family.
- KIDzONLY Summer BIBLE CLASSES | LiveStream Sundays, 8:00 a.m.
- TEEN Summer BIBLE CLASS | Zoom Sundays, 2:30 p.m.
- Summer ADULT CLASSES
 - *Songs Outside The Psalter* | LiveStream Sundays, 1:30 p.m.
 - *Psalm 119 | The Psalm of the Word* | LiveStream Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m.
- BUILDING STRONG FAMILIES | (ZOOM, 7/5)
- 2:52 Kids Class [2-12] | (TBA)
- TEENS STUDY [13-18] | (TBA)
- YOUNG ADULTS | (TBA)

- TEEN DEVO [12-18] | (TBA)
- ADULT STUDY [30/40] | (TBA)
- BARNABAS GROUP | See Leo Betancourt
- VBS | THE OVERCOMERS | M-Th., 6/22-25
- WORKDAY | 8/1, 8-10 am
- YOUTH LECTURES | with *Caleb Churchill and Andy Harrison* | Sat-Sun, 8/8-9
- MEETING with *Ben Hall* | 9/13-16
- WOMEN'S DAY with *Sarah S. Lyon* | 10/10
- MEN'S DAY with *David McClister* | 11/7

DIRECTORY UPDATES

- **We would like all families** to update their information and ALL worship leaders to do the same. If you have any questions about the DIRECTORY application of our website, be sure to see **Brian Clark**. He most recent printed directory is in the foyer for members.

WEEKLY BIBLE READING

- **Week 25** (beginning 6/21)
 - Read Psalm 24, 74, 124
 - Memorize Psalm 24:1-5
- **Signup for weekly reminders at** <https://www.remind.com/join/weeklymemo>

Attendance	InPerson Average Last-Month	Virtual Average Last-Month	InPerson Last Week	Virtual Views Last Week
KidzOnly Bible Class	n/a	14	n/a	3
High School ZOOM	n/a	13	n/a	8
Sunday Adult Class	n/a	14	n/a	10
Sunday Worship AM	100	85	130	45
Sunday Worship PM	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Wednesday PM	n/a	29	n/a	16

NEXT WEEK'S SERVICE & WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS	8:30 AM June 28	10:00 AM June 28	Contact Information
<i>Communion Preparation</i>	George & LouAnn C.	George & LouAnn C.	Elders
<i>Sound Booth</i>	Chris L.	Chris L.	Keith Arrants 936.582.1244
<i>Foyer 1/Greeting</i>	Adam B.	Stuart J.	George Chapman 281.298.1303
<i>Foyer 2/Usher</i>	Leo B.	Al S.	Norman Davis 832.326.2966
<i>SongLeading</i>	Steve D.	Alan S.	Don Hooton 936.443.6230
<i>1st Prayer</i>	Jay D.	Nathan S.	Deacons
<i>Scripture Reading</i>	Leo B. - 1Tim 5:12-16	Timothy C. - 1Jn 4:9-19	John Beighle 806.367.3389
<i>Communion</i>	Steve D.	Bobby C.	Adam Bohanan 281.798.1093
<i>Bread</i>	n/a	n/a	Brian Clark 281.513.0706
<i>Fruit of Vine</i>	n/a	n/a	Gary LeBlanc 281.292.0262
<i>Contribution</i>	n/a	n/a	Craig Preuss 832.477.0578
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<i>2nd Prayer</i>	John B.	Lyn R.	www.woodlandschurchofchrist.org
<i>Announcements</i>	George C.	Hayden C.	Office Phone
<i>InterService Clean—Foyer/Bath</i>	Noelle and Kaeden D.	Brian and Tonya C.	281.367.2099
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