

*** MESSAGE NOTES**

MARCH MADNESS: Slam Dunking Life With Christ Week 4 - The Final Four

For the message about the cross is foolishness [madness] to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. – 1 Corinthians 1:18

Jesus replied, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. – John 14:6

FINAL FOUR OF THE GOSPEL

1) ADMIT IT! 2) ASK IT! 3) ACCEPT IT!

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come so that they may have life, and may have it abundantly. ~ John 10:10 (NET)

4) ADOPT IT!

Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth. For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed with Him in glory. Therefore consider the members of your earthly body as dead to immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which amounts to idolatry. For it is because of these things that the wrath of God will come upon the sons of disobedience, and in them you also once walked, when you were living in them. But now you also, put them all aside: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive speech from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, since you laid aside the old self with its evil practices, 10 and have put on the new self who is being renewed to a true knowledge according to the image of the One who created him— a renewal in which there is no distinction between Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and freeman, but Christ is all, and in all. So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience; bearing with one another, and forgiving each other, whoever has a complaint against anyone; just as the Lord forgave you, so also should you. Beyond all these things put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body; and be thankful.

Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God. Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father. ~ Colossians 3:1-17

Believing IN Jesus VS Believing ON Jesus

You believe that God is one; well and good. Even the demons believe that—and tremble with fear. ~ James 2:19

Believing IN Jesus and believing ON Jesus are two different things. If you are believing ON Jesus and Jesus alone, THEN (and only then) can you fully receive all that God has for you; Wisdom, blessings, guidance, support, life, forgiveness, direction, peace, strength, joy and so much more.

"Everyone who hears these words of mine and does them is like a wise man who built his house on rock. 25 The rain fell, the flood came, and the winds beat against that house, but it did not collapse because its foundation had been laid on rock. ~ Matthew 7:24-25

But the eleven disciples proceeded to Galilee, to the mountain which Jesus had designated. ~ Matthew 28:16

FINAL FOUR VERSES OF MATTHEW

When they saw Him, they worshiped Him; but some were doubtful. And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." ~ Matthew 28:17-20

FINAL FOUR COMMANDS OF JESUS

1) JESUS SAID GO! 2) JESUS SAID MAKE DISCIPLES!

For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. How are they to call on one they have not believed in? And how are they to believe in one they have not heard of? And how are they to hear without someone preaching to them? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How timely is the arrival of those who proclaim the good news." ... Consequently faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes through the preached word of Christ. ~ Romans 10:13-15, 17

3) JESUS SAID BAPTIZE THEM!

For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ~ Galatians 3:27

"Repent, and each one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.... So those who accepted his message were baptized, and that day about 3,000 people were added. ~ Acts 2:38, 41

4) JESUS SAID TEACH THEM EVERYTHING I HAVE TAUGHT YOU!