

Come and Die

John 12:12–26

SERMON OUTLINE

“When Christ calls a man, He bids him to come and die.”

I. The Prelude to Glory (vv. 12–19)

- A. Sunday before Passover
- B. Jesus is the righteous, victorious, unafraid, humble, peaceful King

II. The Principle of Glory (vv. 20–24)

- A. “The obstacle to following Jesus is not where you came from; the obstacle is where Jesus is going to take you.”
- B. Primary meaning: Jesus’ own destiny
- C. Secondary meaning: our destiny

III. The Pattern of Glory (v. 25)

IV. The Pursuit of Glory (v. 26)

- A. This daily death is absolute and total
- B. This daily death is often painful
- C. Faith is believing what He calls us to is worth it

V. The Promise of Glory (v. 27)

- A. “If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.”
- B. Can you see that it is worth it?

APPLICATIONS

- What kind of leader are you looking for?
- Is there any place in the Kingdom for me?
- Receive and/or remember the substitution
- What is Jesus calling you to that might be painful?

PARALLEL TEXTS TO CONSIDER

- The Passover in Exodus 12:1–28
- Matthew 10:38–39

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Everyone tell three interesting facts about yourself.
2. Have you ever felt you had to give up something difficult in order to get something better?
3. Pastor Jake said, “Jesus is the King you were made to long for.” How & when did you realize you longed for Jesus?
4. Read Matthew 13:44–45 -> How can we learn to better believe that Jesus is worth giving up everything for?
5. Read vv. 24–25 -> Is there anything in your life that you believe God is calling you to forsake to follow Him?
6. What in your life robs your affections for Jesus? Correct it.
7. What in your life stirs your affections for Jesus? Pursue it.

OTHER QUESTIONS THAT MAY HELP

1. What does this text tell us about God?
2. What does this text tell us about man?
3. What should I put on or put off in my thinking?
4. What should I put on or put off in my doing?

HOMEWORK

1. Make a commitment to regular Bible study and prayer
2. Ask God to show you answers to questions 6 & 7 and come ready to share with the group or ask the group for help

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