

The Lord's Suffering  
(Luke 24:44-47)

Introduction:

1. After His crucifixion and resurrection, Jesus talked to His disciples about His suffering in these verses.
  - a. His suffering was foretold in "*the Law of Moses,*" "*the prophets,*" and "*the Psalms.*"
  - b. His suffering was necessary so "*repentance and remission of sins*" could be preached to "*all nations.*"
2. In our lesson we are examining passages from these sections of the Old Testament that foretold the Lord's suffering.
3. These passages:
  - a. will help us understand why Jesus suffered
  - b. will encourage us (Hebrews 12:1-3).
4. Let us first consider . . .

Discussion

- I. A PASSAGE FROM "*THE LAW OF MOSES*" (Genesis 3:15)
  - A. The serpent had tempted Eve to eat the forbidden fruit, and she and Adam ate it.
  - B. At this point sin entered the world, and God punished everyone involved.
  - C. As God punished the serpent He foretold what would happen to the woman's seed.
    1. He would suffer a temporary wound [His heel would be bruised].
    2. He would deliver a fatal wound to the serpent by crushing his head.
  - D. In connection with this verse, let us examine Galatians 4:4-5.
    1. When the time was right, "*God sent forth His Son, made of a woman*" (vs.4).
    2. (vs.5) By suffering as the woman's seed, Jesus made it possible for us to be redeemed and become God's children.
  - E. The Lord's suffering was foretold in "*the Law of Moses.*"
  - F. Let us next consider . . .
- II. A PASSAGE FROM "*THE PROPHETS*" (Isaiah 53)
  - A. In this chapter Isaiah wrote about "God's suffering servant."
  - B. We learn from Acts 8 that Isaiah wrote about Jesus and His suffering.
  - C. Isaiah emphasized how Jesus would suffer for our sins.
  - D. Through His suffering Jesus would provide special blessings, including spiritual healing, justification, and intercession.
  - E. Isaiah also showed how God would prolong the days of His suffering servant.
  - F. The Lord's suffering was foretold in "*the prophets.*"
  - G. Finally, let us consider . . .
- III. A PASSAGE FROM "*THE PSALMS*" (Psalm 22)
  - A. In this Psalm David wrote about:
    1. some difficulties he was facing (vs.1-2)
    2. Jesus and His suffering (vs.6-8, 13-18).
  - B. David also mentioned something that Jesus would do with His followers after He suffered (vs.22; Hebrews 2:9-12).
  - C. The Lord's suffering was foretold in "*the Psalms.*"

Conclusion:

1. The passages we covered show how Jesus suffered on our behalf so we can be forgiven and become God's children.
2. (Luke 24:47) Jesus said that a great message concerning the remission of sins would be preached to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.
3. That message was first delivered in Jerusalem on Pentecost (Acts 2:36-41).
4. Have you complied with these instructions?