BUILDING YOUR SUPPORT TEAM

"JOY THAT REMAINS"

Matthew 26:31-75, 27:1-10

Lesson #30

June 12, 2022

REVIEW:

- A. Stumble..... Matthew 26:31-56
 - 1) Jesus speaks a word to all the disciples
 - a) Applies scripture to their situation!
 - b) They reject it and in doing refuse any change needed to avoid the pitfall.
 - 2) Peter's statement: <u>FLESH</u> compares and tears down; <u>SPIRIT</u> warns and uplifts.
 - 3) At this point their joy level may have been disrupted, but they likely notice no change.
 - 4) (36) Falling asleep in the garden and again refusing to yield to the warning.
 - 5) A willing spirit without the strong body to carry it out will yield disappointing results!
 - 6) (47) Judas arrives with the soldiers and joy is about to take a major hit!
- B. Depleted Matthew 26:57-75
 - (57) Peter follows behind. He sees at least some of the things done to Jesus. What is this doing to his Joy and peace level?
 - 2) If he was prepared better?
 - 3) Situations have <u>**DRAINED OUR JOY**</u> because of our dependance on flesh instead of spirit.

- 4) Luke 22:54-62
- 5) John 18:15-18, 25-27 More details
- 6) Judas didn't see the results he desired and wants to change, but destroys his flesh to escape the pain of no joy.
- C. Restoration
 - 1) Jesus sends word to the disciples and to Peter in Mark 16:7
 - 2) The disciples lost their joy in the crisis and had multiple flesh reactions, but no faith ones.
 - 3) Paul and Silas didn't lose their joy in the crisis and had faith reactions instead of flesh ones.
 - 4) So, what was the difference?
 - 5) The enemy knows if he can get you off <u>PURPOSE</u> he can get you off <u>JOY</u> and lead you into a <u>FLESH RESPONSE</u>
 - 6) Examples in scripture
 - 7) The enemy was able to steal their joy (their strength) by distracting them from their <u>PURPOSE</u> JESUS CALLED THEM TO

APPLICATION: Things that will steal your joy