

Passion Week (Part 2): Death Toll Zero

Truths to Apply:

- There is a danger and a propensity in us to want the sensational and not just the Savior. We want what the effect is without worshiping the ONE who is the cause (Jesus).
- 2. Jesus wept for the living not the dead. He was disturbed at their pain of not yet knowing the power of the resurrection. He was disturbed because his enemy, death, was what others were looking at and not the hope of resurrection power in Jesus!
- 3. People often try to predict God. We often come to him with presumptions that underestimate the reality of who He really is. We presumptuously underestimate the sovereign reality of God-v. 37.
- 4. With Jesus the smell of death is the fragrance of His power being experienced-v. 39
- 5. God still works in the midst of unbelief-v. 40
- 6. We are always in motion toward His ultimate plan for us: make us like Jesus. So, in the midst of His power we find responsibility.
- 7. Jesus does what He doesn't have to do to get us to see what we shouldn't be able to see.

- 8. "Unbind him" That means there is a life to live now. In the midst of his life changing power there is often a residual of death for us to unbind.- v. 44
- 9. Grave clothes are the preparation for life! (What you had in the past is necessary for what you will become in the future.)
- 10. Walking in freedom requires to death