

Lesson #15

DEVELOPED OUTLINE Last 40 Days

Jewish Time

A. In Jerusalem

Sunday morning

1. An earthquake; Jesus rises from the dead; an angel moves the stone.
2. The 15 Roman soldiers leave to tell the Sanhedrin. Matt. 28:11-15
3. Mary Magdalene arrives at tomb, sees nothing, leaves to tell Peter and John. Jn. 20:1-2
4. Two other women come, see 1 angel, then 2; receive message for disciples and Peter Matt. 28:5-8, Luke 24:1-8  
Salome and Mary, wife of Clopas, (sister-in-law and sister of Mary, mother of Jesus) John 19:25
5. Peter and John come to tomb; John believes, Peter wonders; they go their separate ways. Luke 24:1-8
6. Jesus appears to:
  - Mary Magdalene when she returns to the tomb Jn. 20:11-18
  - Salome and Mary, wife of Clopas and mother of James, on the way to the apostles Matt. 28:8-10
  - Peter (probably in Garden of Gethsemane) Luke 24:34; 1 Cor. 15:5

B. On the Emmaus Road 7 miles Luke 24:13-34

Sunday afternoon

1. Jesus appears to 2 followers.

C. In Jerusalem, Jesus appears to:

Monday

One week later

1. The 10 apostles on the beginning of Monday, right after sundown Lk. 24:36-43
2. The 11 apostles the beginning of the next Monday, right after sundown Jn. 20:26-31

D. In Galilee, near Capernaum, Jesus appears to:

1. 7 apostles by the Sea of Galilee Jn. 21:1-24
2. The 11 apostles daily so He can teach them Lk. 24:44-49; Acts 1:3-6
3. Apostles on a Galilean hillside; 500 disciples 1 Cor. 15:6; Matt. 28:16
4. James, one of His blood relatives 1 Cor. 15:7

E. On the Mt. of Olives near Bethany Acts 1:6-12

Forty days later

1. Jesus gives final instruction to the 11 apostles and then ascends into heaven.

EXPLANATIONS

Jesus gives the apostles their ministry John 20:21-23

As He was sent to represent the Father, He is sending them to represent Him.

He gives them the Holy Spirit to be **on** them so they can remember and understand His instruction.

On the day of Pentecost, they will receive the Holy Spirit to live **inside** of them permanently.

He gives them authority to deal with sin

In the Gospel message they can say, *if you repent and accept the payment of Jesus, your sin is forgiven.*

As leaders, when others try to hinder God's work, they can declare God's judgment; use church discipline.

Thomas declares the deity of Jesus when He says *my Lord and my God*.

Jesus accepts the title of *God*; if He is not deity, He is guilty of blasphemy.

Jesus commissions the apostles to develop mature followers.

They are to explain what He did, lead people to a commitment when they are ready and teach them to understand Scripture so they can become mature.

Jesus ascends into heaven and will return in the same way - in the clouds.

It does not say He will return to the same place.

Jesus re-commissions Simon

Jesus does not use the name **Peter** (rock) because as yet he is not stable and firm; he uses his old name, **Simon**.

The word *know* means *divine knowledge*.

The word *love* has 2 different meanings.

*Phileo* is love based on *feeling, devotion, loyalty* - it is a response determined by feeling.

*Agapao* means *obedience, doing what is right* - it is a response determined by the will.

At the Passover meal, Peter had bragged in front of the other apostles.

If all of them left Jesus, he never would, meaning he thought his commitment was greater.



## EXPLANATIONS

### Jesus re-commissions Simon continued

Jesus, now 2 weeks later in front of the apostles, asks him... (paraphrased for clarity of meaning)

*Do you still say you will obey Me **more** than these other apostles? (agapao)*

**Peter:** *No, I cannot say that. But just as Your divine knowledge knew the brashness and over-confidence I had before, You know the depth of feeling and devotion I have for You now. (phileo)*

**Jesus:** *Can you say you will obey **equal** to these other apostles?*

**Peter:** *No, I cannot even say that But You know the depth of feeling and devotion I have for You now.*

**Jesus:** *Simon, are you sure you have depth of feeling and devotion for Me now? (phileo)*

**Peter:** *Sadly, that is all I am sure of, but I have discovered my limitations. You know my depth of devotion.*

Peter has shown honesty, humility and reality. As a result, he will have a 3-fold ministry to...

...teach basics to new believers *feed my **lambs***

...watch over and care for believers ***tend** my sheep*

...give mature believers more advanced teaching *feed **sheep***

In later years, he will die a martyr by crucifixion, which happened in the mid-60's AD.

## JEWISH TEACHING about the Memra (Aramaic), Logos (Word), in distinction from the Greek philosophical Logos, (Word)

From an in-depth Old Testament study, Jewish rabbis developed 6 concepts about the *Word* as it related to God.

### 1. The *Word* was separate from God - but also the same as God **John 1:1**

The rabbis could never explain it - they just knew it was fact.

*He sends His command to the earth; His **word** runs swiftly.* Psalms 145:15

### 2. The *Word* created things **John 1:3**

*By the **word** of the Lord, the heavens were made.* Psalm 33:6

### 3. The *Word* brought salvation - physically or spiritually. **John 1:12**

God spoke - His **Word** gave instruction to Moses about crossing the Reed Sea.

### 4. The *Word* was the visible form of God - the Shechinah glory / light **John 1:14**

Moses saw a burning bush - the **Word** said, *take off your shoes; you are standing on holy ground.* Exodus 3:2

### 5. The *Word* made God's covenants. **John 1:17**

*The Lord made a covenant and **said**...* Genesis 15:18

### 6. The *Word* revealed God. Gen. 15:1 **John 1:18**

*The **Word** of the Lord came to Abraham...I am Your shield -Your very great reward.*

John is saying, The Greek Logos was just an *it*, an *idea* or *expression*. Jesus is the Jewish Memra, the real Logos.

*He is a person* revealed in the Old Testament as: Deity, Creator, Savior, the visible presence of God, the maker of the New Covenant and the revelation of what God the Father is like.

## APPLICATION

As we studied the life of Jesus here on earth, we may have wished we could have been there – to see Him, to follow Him, to listen to His teaching and watch Him work miracles. However, we forget about the limitations there would have been. Even if we could have followed Him full time, we might not have been able to hear all that He said. We would not have heard what He said to the apostles. We would not have been able to personally talk with Him anywhere at anytime.

The good news is that because He returned to heaven and sent the Holy Spirit, even in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, we can enjoy a better relationship.

The moment we accept His payment for our sin, the Holy Spirit comes to live within us. As a result...

We can talk with Jesus anytime and anywhere, with the assurance that He hears us and will answer.

We have Scripture – God's Word – that gives us all the teaching He wants us to have.

The Holy Spirit helps us understand what Scripture means and how to use it in our lives.

We see and experience God's hand in our lives, the lives of those around us and thruout the world.

Our relationship with Jesus, as well as God the Father and the Holy Spirit, can be far more personal now than it would have been in the first century. The important questions is, Are we utilizing the opportunity?

Are we enjoying the privilege?



## THE MESSIAH IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

There are some 300 prophecies or predictions about the Messiah in the Old Testament.

Some are very specific while others are vague or very general. Some are about His genealogy or character.

Some are about what **He** would do while others are about what would be done to Him.

Some are about His first coming and were fulfilled,

while, by far, many more are about His second coming and His kingdom and are as yet unfulfilled.

The following 31 predictions from the Old Testament are very specific and are about Messiah's first coming. The Gospel writers make a point to show that they were fulfilled in Jesus (they were true of Jesus). By doing so, they were declaring to the world, "Jesus is the promised Messiah of the Old Testament".

<i>Description</i>	<i>Prediction</i>	<i>Happened</i>
Born into the human race	Genesis 3:15	Luke 2:7; Galatians 4:4
Descended from Abraham	Genesis 18:18	Matthew 1:1; Acts 3:25
Descended from Isaac	Genesis 17:19	Luke 3:34
Descended from Jacob	Numbers 24:17	Luke 3:34
From the tribe of Judah	Genesis 49:10	Luke 3:33
Heir to the throne of David	Isaiah 9:7	Matthew 1:1
Born in Bethlehem	Micah 5:2	Matthew 2:1
Born of a virgin	Isaiah 7:14	Matthew 1:18
As child, taken into Egypt	Hosea 11:1	Matthew 2:14
Ministry in Galilee	Isaiah 9:1-2	Matthew 4:12-16
A prophet like Moses	Deuteronomy 18:15	John 6:14
Rejected by the Sanhedrin	Isaiah 53:3	John 1:11
A godly character	Isaiah 11:2	Luke 2:52
His entrance into Jerusalem	Zechariah 9:9	John 12:13-14
Betrayed by apparent friend	Psalms 41:9	Mark 14:10
Sold for 30 pieces of silver	Zechariah 11:12	Matthew 26:15
Accused falsely	Psalms 27:12	Matthew 26:60-61
Silent when accused	Isaiah 53:7	Matthew 26:62-63
Scourged, spit upon	Isaiah 50:6	Mark 14:65
Hated without a cause	Psalms 69:4	John 15:23-25
Crucified with sinners	Isaiah 53:12	Matthew 27:38
Hands and feet pierced	Psalms 22:16	John 20:27
Mocked and insulted	Psalms 22:6-8	Matthew 27:39-40
Given gall and vinegar	Psalms 69:21	John 19:29
Prays for enemies	Isaiah 53:12	Luke 23:34
Side pierced	Zechariah 12:10	John 19:34
His clothes gambled for	Psalms 22:18	Mark 15:24
Not a bone broken	Psalms 34:20	John 19:33
Buried with the rich	Isaiah 53:9	Matthew 27:57-60
Raised again	Psalms 16:10	Matthew 28:9
Ascended into heaven	Psalms 68:18	Luke 24:50-51

