

Week of April 12, 2020

Dear Christ's Church of the Canyon,

This time of year, it's interesting to read about the intricacies of Easter. Like, Palm Sunday and what it meant when Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey. Like, Maundy Thursday and Jesus' admonition to His followers to "love one another." *Not easy to do in this age of "social distancing."* Like, Good Friday and Jesus walking the Via Dolorosa all-the-while carrying a cross that symbolized not only His death but more importantly His victory over death which was evidenced only three days following His crucifixion. For our time together Holy week (Passion Week) has been about God using ordinary people in extra-ordinary ways! Men like the sons of Zebedee, the disciples as a whole, Mrs. Zebedee, and Mary Magdalene just ordinary people.

The next sermon involves another ordinary man that was tasked to carry the Cross of Christ, Simon of Cyrene. The amazing thing was (Read Mark 15:21) Simon didn't complain, grumble, decide to hate God, or grandstand. He just picked up Jesus' cross and followed Jesus to Calvary. Jesus led. Simon followed. Simple.

I hope you join the study. I really enjoyed putting it together!! See you this weekend!!

Pr. Wayne

<u>Updates</u>

- Next week you'll receive some information regarding an upcoming Youth Tour to Ventura June 15-18, 2020 (depending on the virus) for our middle schoolers and senior highers.
- Please continue to pray for our country
- Please continue to pray for those in our fellowship who are challenged in these difficult times

