

### 3-11-2026 – Jesus’ Warnings.

Jesus gave warnings the Disciples missed / didn’t understand.

Jesus warned His disciples that He would die and come back 3 days later.

**John 11** - <sup>32</sup>He will be delivered over to the Gentiles and will be mocked and insulted and spit upon. <sup>33</sup>[They will flog Him and kill Him, and on the third day He will rise again.](#) <sup>34</sup>But the disciples did not understand any of these things. The meaning was hidden from them, and they did not comprehend what He was saying.”

Let’s look at 3 other warnings of Jesus. Need to hear . . . and comprehend.

#### **1 - John 8** – Eternal Life in Heaven for believers.

<sup>21</sup> Later Jesus said to them again, “I am going away. You will search for me but will die in your sin. You cannot come where I am going.” <sup>22</sup> The people asked, “Is he planning to commit suicide? What does he mean, ‘You cannot come where I am going’?” <sup>23</sup> Jesus continued, “You are from below; I am from above. You belong to this world; I do not. <sup>24</sup> That is why I said that you will die in your sins; for unless you believe that I am who I claim to be, you will die in your sins.”

- **“You will die in your sin.”** - A warning of the consequences of unbelief.
  - The "sin" of Unbelief . . . of rejecting Jesus as the Messiah.
    - It’s a fundamental sin b/c it **rejects truth**; it calls God a liar and ignores the evidence He provided.
    - It **separates** us from God in both our **hearts & mind**
  - Jesus tells us the **eternal consequences of disbelief** in Him:
- **Where I am going, you cannot come** - Jesus is returning to the Father.
  - The inability of the Pharisees to follow Him highlights **separation** between those who believe in Christ and those who do not.
  - Salvation is based on belief in Jesus . . . Eternal life in heaven is exclusively for believers in Jesus.
    - This should **give us concern for non-believers we love.** Us??

After that interaction, Jesus left Jerusalem... they picked up stones/ stone him

## 2 - That teaching continues again in **John 11** – Jesus with Martha & Mary:

The sisters sent word to Jesus, “Lord, the one you love is sick.”

But Jesus stayed where he was 2 more days; then: “Let’s go back to Judea.”

<sup>8</sup> “But Rabbi . . . a short while ago the Jews there tried to stone you, and yet you are going back?” . . . sleeping . . . will get better.

<sup>14</sup> So then he told them plainly, “Lazarus is dead, <sup>15</sup> and for your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.”

<sup>16</sup> Then Thomas ... said to the rest of the disciples, “Let us also go, that we may die with him.”

<sup>21</sup> “Lord,” Martha said to Jesus, “if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup> But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask.” <sup>23</sup> Jesus said to her, “**Your brother will rise again.**”

<sup>24</sup> Martha answered, “I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day.”

<sup>25</sup> Jesus said to her, “**I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die;** <sup>26</sup> and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?” <sup>27</sup> “Yes, Lord,” she replied, “I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, who is to come into the world.”

Jesus is the great “**I AM.**” 1 of 7 “**I am**” declarations in John’s Gospel

- This connects Jesus with God & to God . . . conversation w/ Moses in [Exodus 3:14](#). - “God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM.” I AM sent...
- “I AM the resurrection & the life” - Jesus has authority over life/death.
  - The statement also **foreshadows** His own resurrection
  - Fulfills 2 O. T. prophecies about the Messiah bringing life:
    - [Isaiah 25:8](#) – “He will swallow up death forever”
    - [Daniel 12:2](#) – “Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt.”

## Whoever believes in Me - Faith in Jesus is the avenue to eternal life.

- We each must make a **personal decision** to accept Jesus's offer of salvation. It's **open to anyone!** Whoever...
- It connects to [John 3:16](#) – “For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life” - emphasizing that belief in Jesus as the pathway to eternal life, available to all who believe.
  - o It's both inclusive & exclusive.
    - Inclusive b/c anyone & everyone can believe.
    - Exclusive – b/c **not everyone** will believe or be in heaven.
      - **Matt. 25:31-45** – Parable of Sheep [R] & Goats [L] –  
“<sup>32</sup> All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. <sup>33</sup> He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. <sup>34</sup> “Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world.”
      - **Matt. 7:21** - “Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven.”

## The one who believes in Me will live, even though he dies.

This Lazarus moment is **Jesus proving** He is the **Messiah**:

He swallowed up death! He conquered the grave! Grave is defeated!

Those who sleep will awake. Death, where is your victory? Sting?

- o The **mortal** become immortal. **Perishable** becomes imperishable.
- This is a literal example that **Jesus is life**. . . He is the **resurrection!**
- This is why we **believe** in the resurrection of the dead and eternal life.
  - o We have the **assurance** of life after death;

- We have expectation as believers - physical death is not the end but a transition to eternal life with God.
- We have comfort/confidence that we'll see our loved ones again!
- **Jesus** is saying He is the **source** of both **physical and spiritual life**.
  - **What has died in us can be resurrected!**

**3 - John 10** – once saved, saved forever.

- <sup>27</sup> My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup> I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup> My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. <sup>30</sup> I and the Father are one."
- We never have to worry that we can lose our salvation.
- **Eternal life is an eternal promise**, guaranteed by our belief & acceptance of Jesus as Savior.
  - **And God is greater.** There's a battle for our souls. God wins, if we believe that He loved us enough . . . to send His son Jesus.
    - **Loved us enough** . . . to want us with Him.
    - **Loved us enough** . . . to make a way/we can't.