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Learning to Live in the Upside Down Kingdom of God 學習在神上下倒置的國度中生活

example 例子及對比 and contrast

1. "In the valley" of humiliation they learned of their spiritual weakness

在謙卑的山谷裡, 他們明白了他們靈裡的軟弱

2. Jesus the childlike servant welcomed little ones into the kingdom contrasted the disciple's 'worldly' busyness and ambition

耶穌這位像孩子般的奴僕歡迎小子們進人國度,這跟門徒們"屬世的"

忙碌及野心成了對比

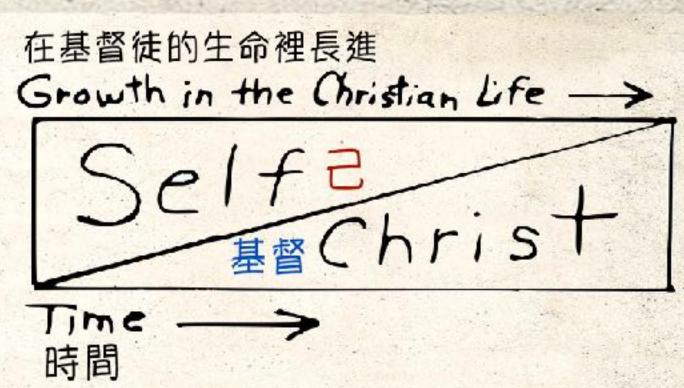
3. The contrast between their concept of marriage and family and God's Original Purpose for Marriage and Family

他們對於婚姻及家庭的觀念及神對於婚姻及家庭的最初的旨意成了對比

4. The impossibility of entering into the Kingdom except by forsaking all to follow Jesus

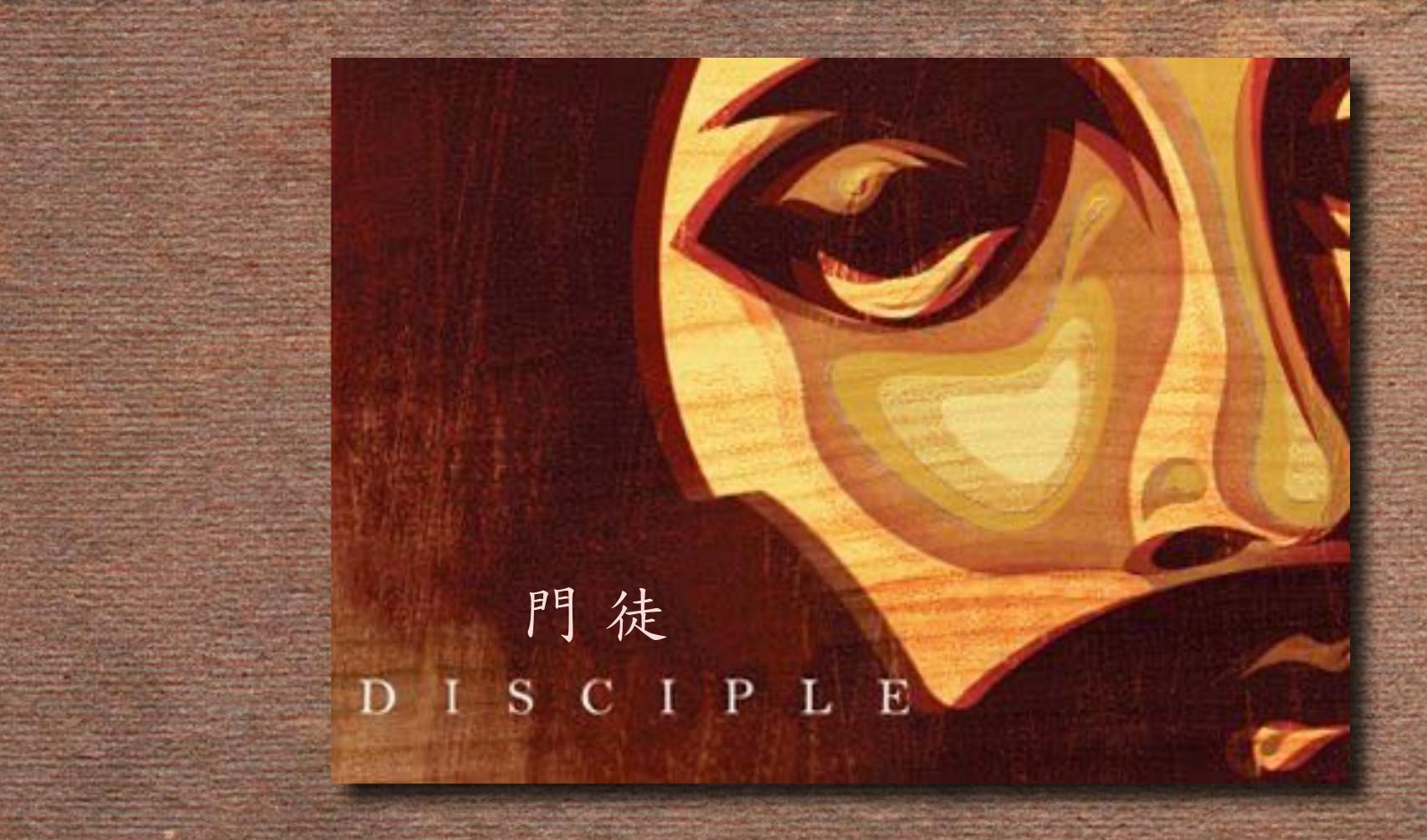
除非捨棄一切跟隨耶穌,否則不可能進入國度





Final Lesson: Jesus reveals the deepest secret of his ministry

最後的功課:耶穌啟示出關於祂職事的最深奧秘



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- 1. Kingdom Greatness is the opposite as it seeks serving opportunities: 在國度中為大的是相反的,因為這人會尋找服事的機會
 - ☑ Greatness involves being a servant (diakonos) to the others 為大的包括了作他人的僕人(diakonos)
 - The first among you must be a slave (doulos) (the lowest person on the scale of ancient society) of all

你們中間為首的必須作眾人的奴隸 (doulos)(在古代社會階層最底層的人)





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2. The Son of Man reveals that servanthood is the very nature of the King of the Kingdom

人子啟示在國度中作王的本質就是作奴僕

3. The servant is going to suffer in Jerusalem and give His life a ransom for many

這位僕人會在耶路撒冷受苦,並以祂的性命作為多人的贖價





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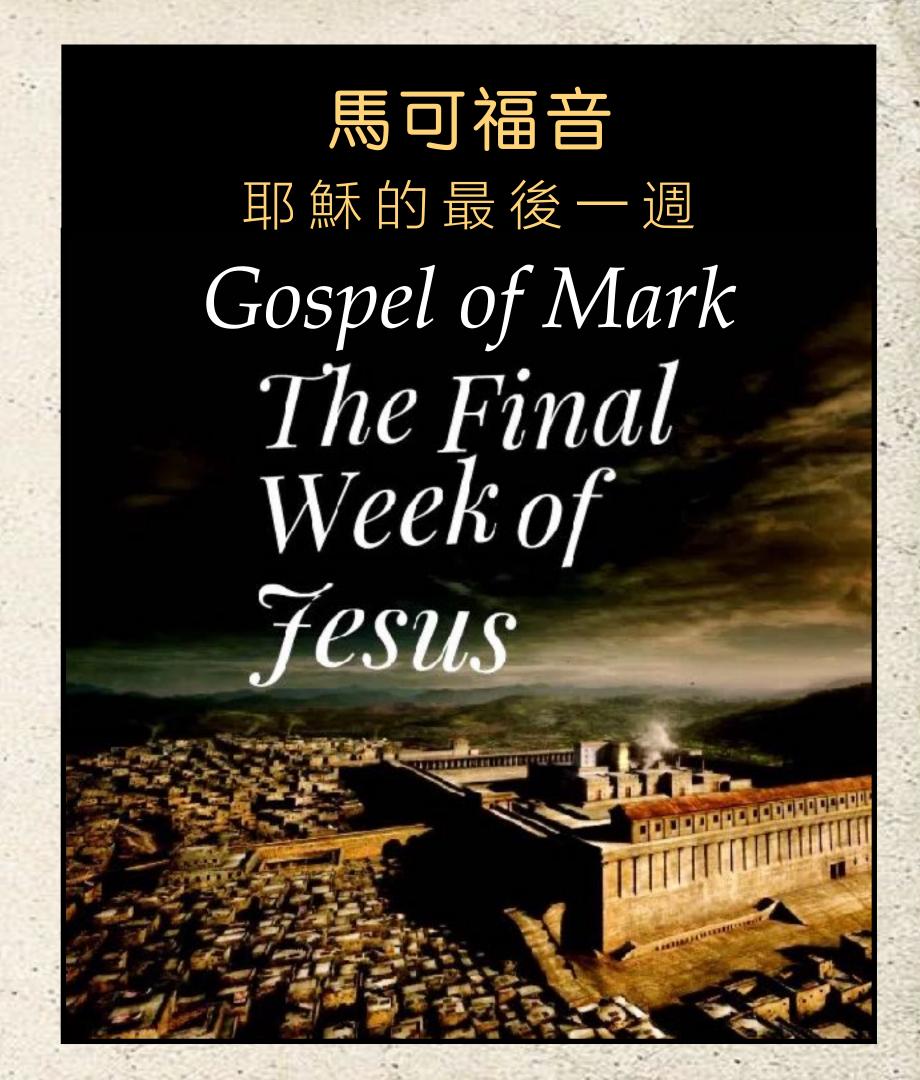
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- 1. Nearly one third of Mark's gospel is dedicated to this final week (1/2 of John's gospel covers this same time) 馬可福音有將近三分之一專門記載了這最後一週的事(約翰福音有一半記載了這個時段)
- 2. Mark keeps his fast paced style showing Jesus the servant of God deliberately pressing toward the baptism and cup awaiting him in Jerusalem 馬可保持了他快節奏的風格,展現出神的僕人耶穌特意的向前推進朝向在耶路撒冷等候祂的杯及浸



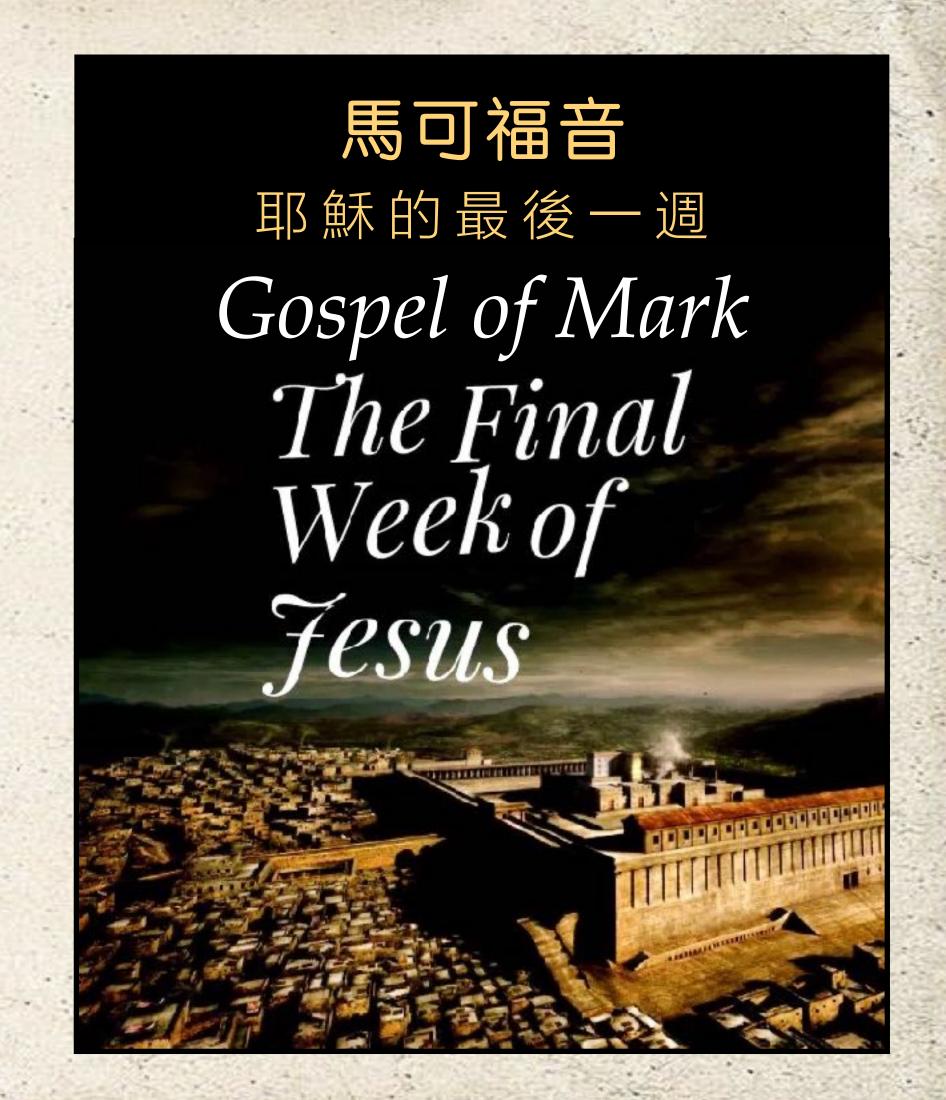
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3. After focusing upon Galilee as the venue of most of Jesus' ministry, *Mark 11-13* now is focused not upon Jerusalem but upon the Temple Mount where he teaches (or speaks of it) as the Messiah

在耶穌專注以加利利為主要事工的地點之後,現在在馬可福音 11-13章裡,祂關注的重點不是在耶路撒冷,卻是在聖殿山上, 因在那裡,祂是以彌賽亞的身份教導(或是提及它)

4. The conflict Jesus encounters is highlighted by the contrast of His majestic messianic entry into Jerusalem on Sunday with His cleansing of the Temple the following morning

耶穌所面臨的衝突是,在禮拜日祂以威嚴的彌賽亞身份進人耶路撒冷,但在第二天早上卻來潔淨聖殿,這形成了強烈的對比



Many Details of Jesus' Passover Sojourn Omitted 許多關於耶穌逾越節行程的細節被省略了

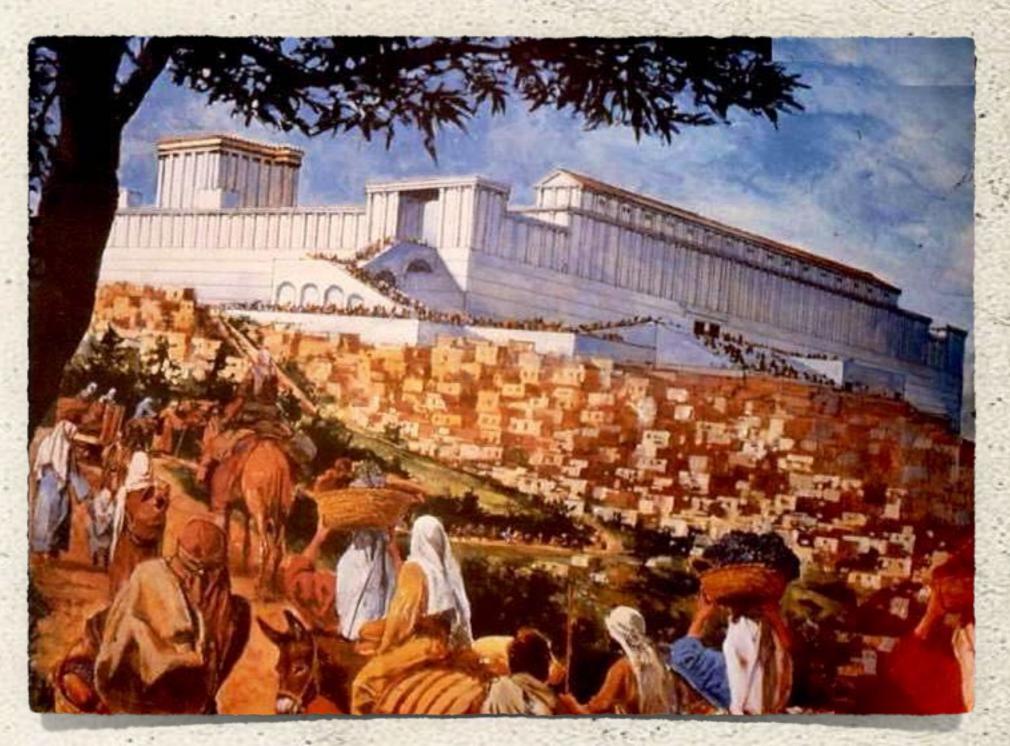
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1. Josephus estimates the population around Jerusalem during the Passover in Jesus' time to be around 2.75 million (Josephus War of the Jews bk.4, chapter 9)

<u>約瑟夫</u>估計耶穌時代<u>耶路撒冷的人口在逾越節的時候</u> 約有二百七十五萬人(猶太戰史第二冊、第9章-約瑟夫著)

2. The atmosphere was electic with wonder among the Galilean worshipers who were pressing up the road from Jericho to Jerusalem with Jesus

整個的氛圍是熱烈的! 加利利的敬拜者帶著驚奇,與耶穌一同邁上從耶利哥到耶路撒冷的路



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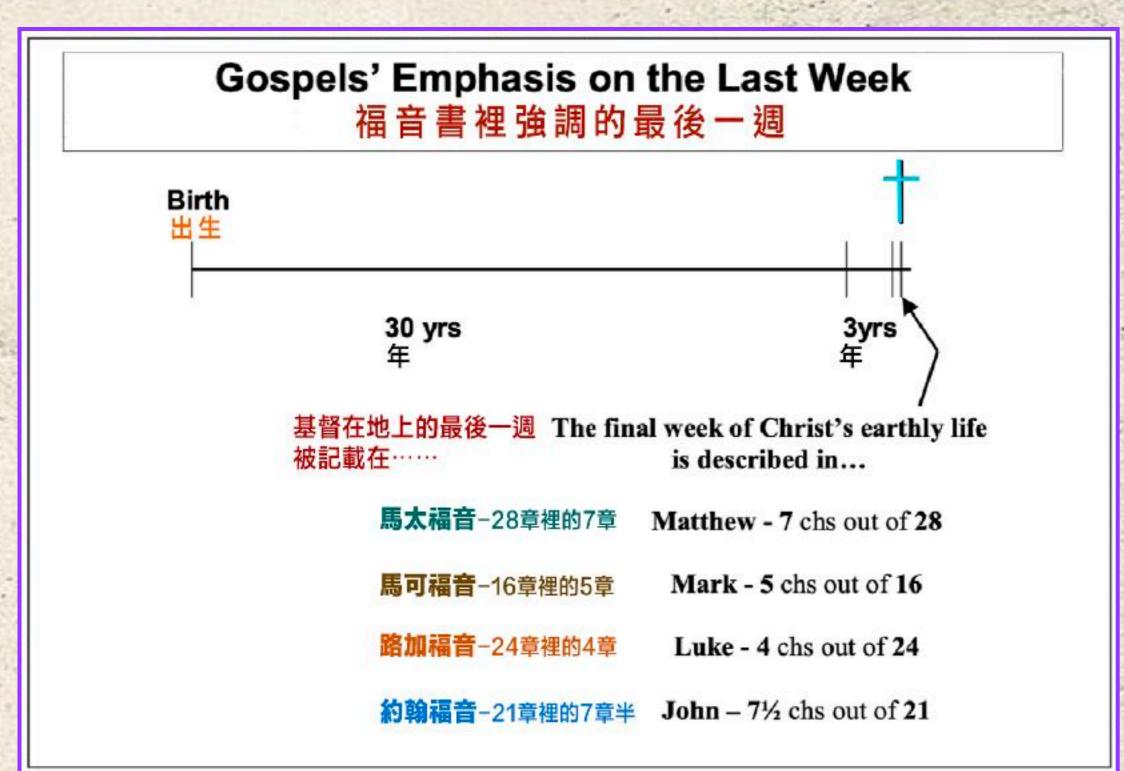
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- ☑ John testifies to Jesus as the *Son of God* and so shares *Zech.9.9* as **predestined** and "*remembered*" by his disciples after Jesus was glorified *John 12.14-16* 約翰見證了耶穌是神的兒子,因此分享了<u>撒迦利亞書</u>9:9中預定的以及在耶穌得榮耀之後,祂的門徒們"想起來"了



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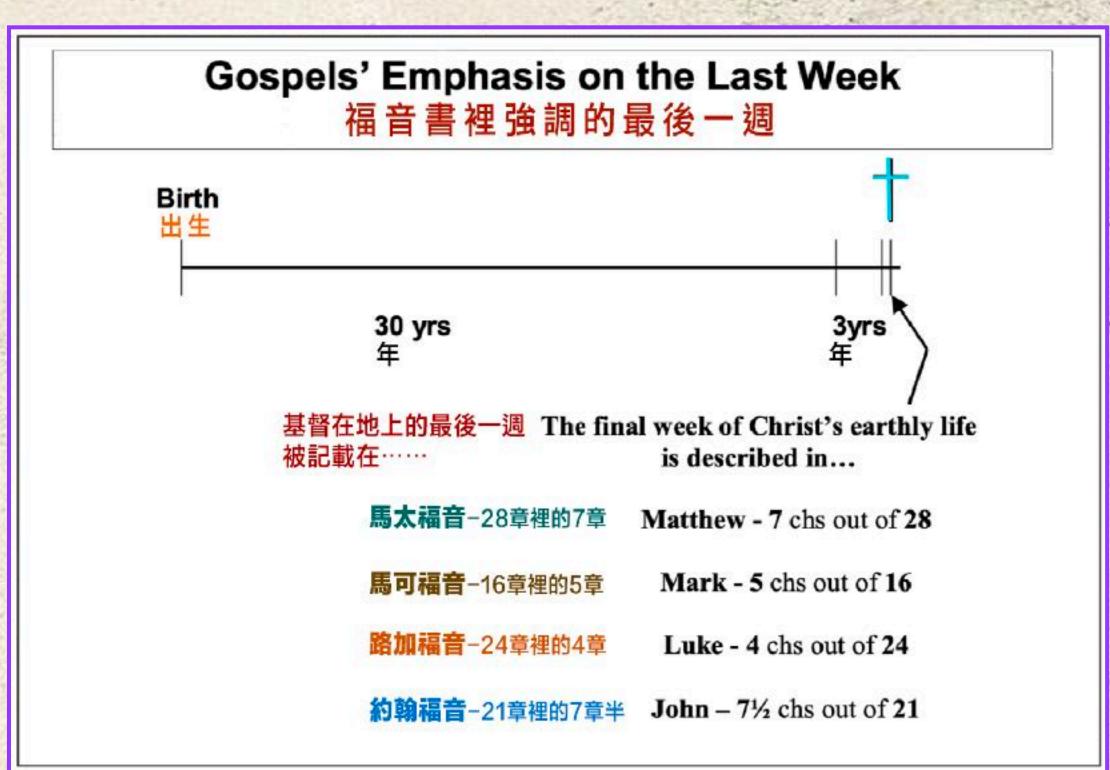
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Luke testifies to Jesus as the "man of sorrows" and exclusively records Jesus weeping over Jerusalem more than His coming down the Mount of Olives Lu.19.41ff.

路加見證了耶穌是個"憂傷的人",並且獨特的記載了耶穌為耶路撒冷而哭,這比記載祂從橄欖山下來更多(路加福音19:41)

Mark testifies that Jesus is the servant of God and therefore does not explain his actions with scriptural proofs because he wants the nobility, majesty and humility of Jesus' 'kingly' entry to speak for itself

馬可見證了耶穌是神的僕人,因此沒有以經文的證明來解釋 祂的行動,因為他要耶穌"是王的"高貴、威嚴及謙卑的作為 替祂自己說話



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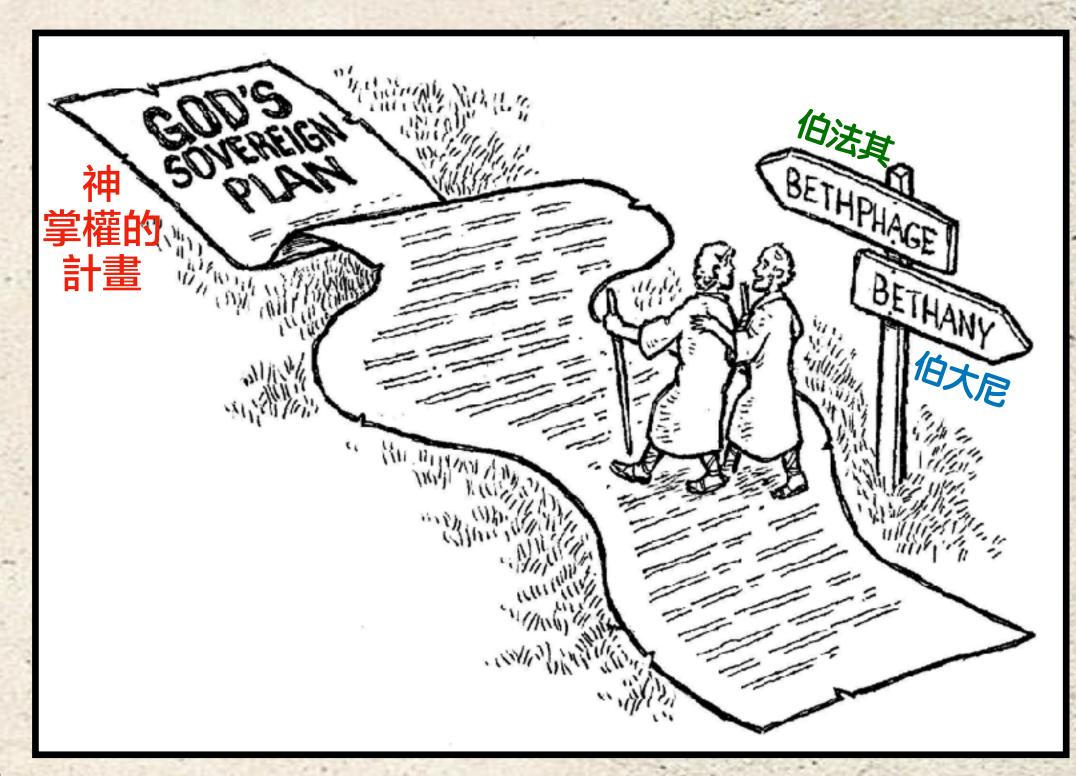
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1. Mark records these last seven days with an unmistakable solemnity that gives the reader a sense a Sovereign Plan lies behind every detail as each moment is filled with eternal consequence

馬可嚴謹、無誤的記載了這最後的七天,使讀者感受到,在每一個細節的背後都有一個主權的計畫,而每一時刻都充滿了永恆的意義

2. Mark wants the seeking reader to see the pageant and hear the crowd shouting and worshiping without any editorial comments (this seems to be the simple and direct style Peter used when sharing gospel stories of Jesus)



馬可要讓有尋求的讀者在沒有任何編者的評語下而能看見盛會,並聽見群眾的叫聲及敬拜,(這個看起來像是<u>彼得</u>分享 關於耶的福音故事時所用的簡單、直接的方式)

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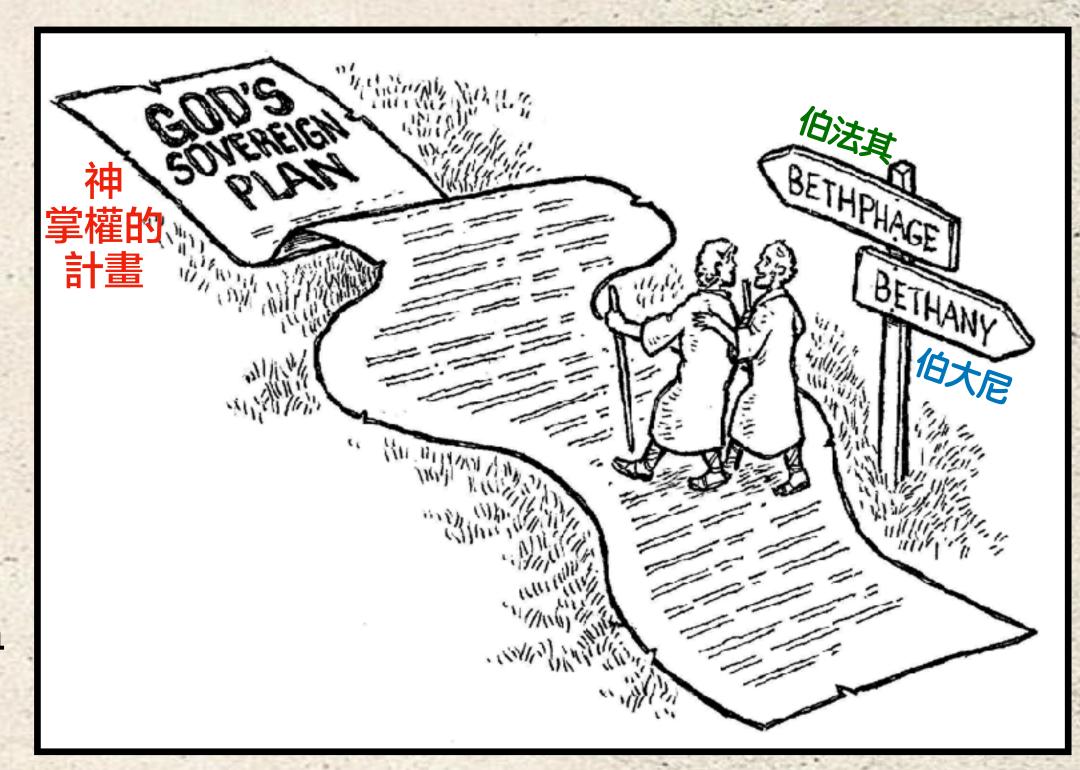
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3. The reader can see that Jesus is clearly taking command with Messianic authority even though the OT messianic prophecies are not mentioned

雖然沒有提及舊約裡關於彌賽亞的預言,讀者卻能看見耶穌以彌賽亞的權柄清楚的接受了吩咐

4. Jesus remains God's humble servant going to the cross in Mark and so the reaction of the crowd and the leaders in Jerusalem are not emphasized as they are in the other three gospels



在馬可福音裡,耶穌仍舊是神謙卑的僕人而上了十字架,並沒有被強調在<u>耶路撒冷</u>的群眾及首領的反應,像其他三卷的福音書那樣的

Day One: Palm Sunday 第一天: 棕櫚星期日

Jesus enters Jerusalem as
Israel's Messiah
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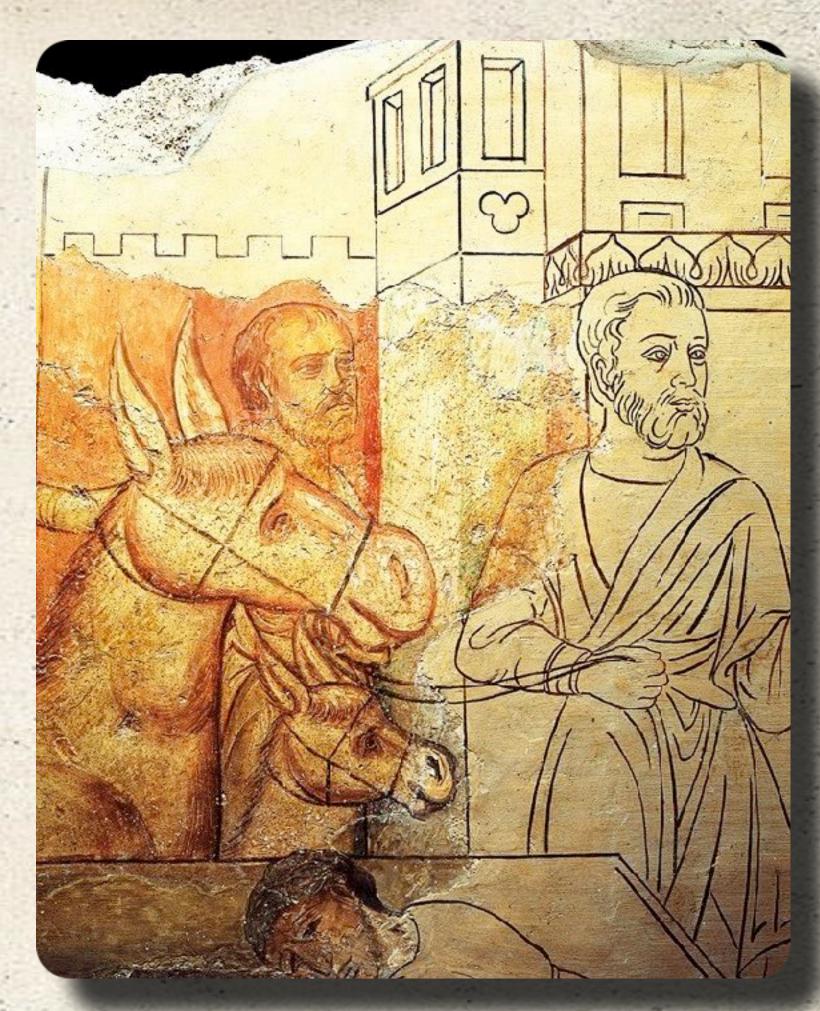
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- 1. This was the first act in Mark of Jesus openly acting upon His Messianic claim upon Israel and Jerusalem 這是在馬可福音裡,耶穌公開的採取了他對以色列和耶路撒冷的彌賽亞主權的第一幕
- 2. The disciples knew both Bethany (house of dates) and Bethpage (house of figs) on the southeast slope of Mt. Olives from their previous and regular visits

門徒們在他們之前的和定期的訪問而認識了在橄欖山東南坡的伯大尼(秦子之家)和伯法其(無花果之家)



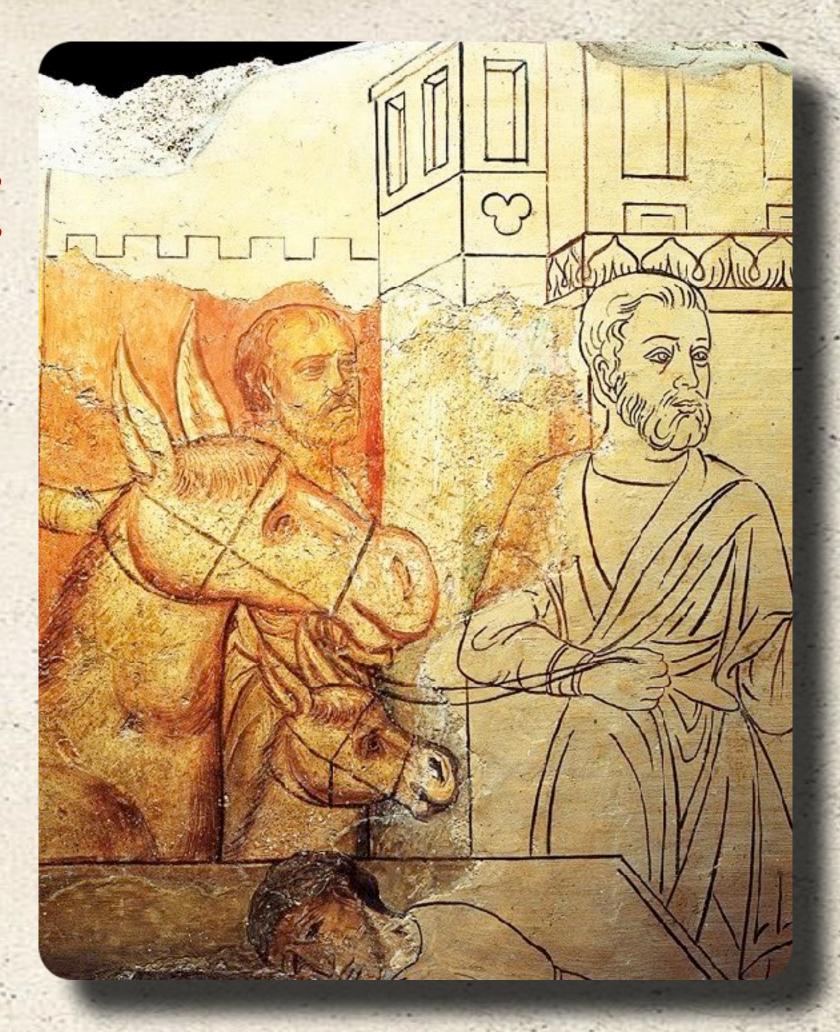
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3. The disciples probably were surprised by the detailed list of orders and Jesus' mandate for a colt but soon realized the moment had come when they saw the crowds lining up on the mountainside

門徒們可能對於詳細列出的清單和耶穌對於驢駒子的要求感到驚訝,但當他們看到山上排成的人群時,便很快地意識到一那時刻到了



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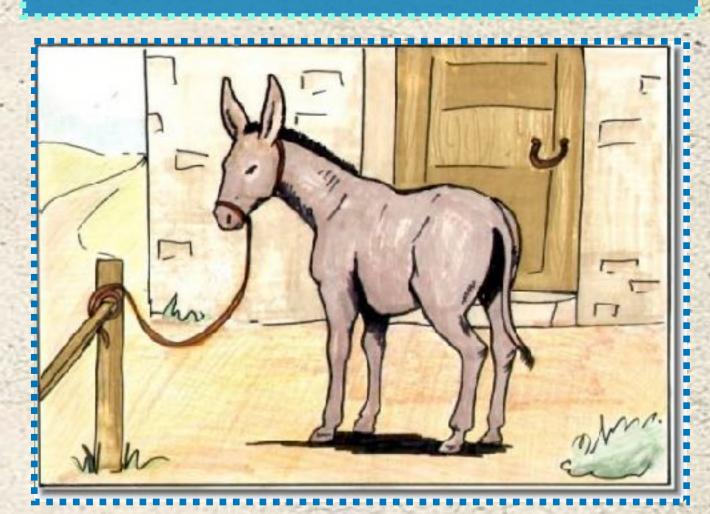
Testimony:

Everything happened just as if it had been pre-planned

見證: 一切事情的發生就像是事先已經被計畫好了

- Peter was probably one of the two disciples since this seems to be an eye witness account
 - 彼得可能是二位門徒裡的其中一位,因為這好像是個親眼目擊者的陳述
- In Bethpage the colt was found just as Jesus said 在伯法其找到了驢駒子,就如耶穌所說的一樣

Predestined 預定了



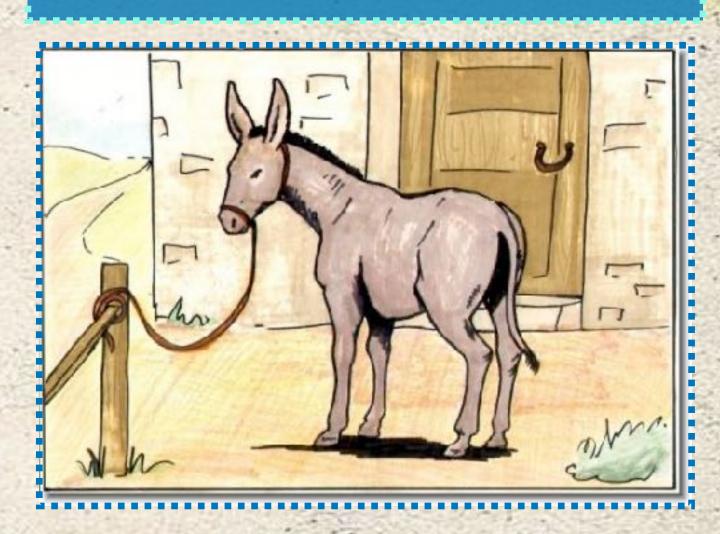
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- When asked, the disciples answered the owner, "the Lord has need of it and when done, we'll return it to you" (this 'appropriating' mandate was common in kingdoms where property could be taken and used for kingdom purposes and then returned)
 - 當被問到時,門徒回答了主人:"主需要它,用完後,我們會把牠還給你"(這種"適當的"授權在當時的國中很常見,在其中的財物可以被拿走並用於國家的需要,然後還回去)
- They brought the colt and laid their coats on it as a saddle 他們帶來了驢駒子,並把他們的外衣放在上面當作鞍

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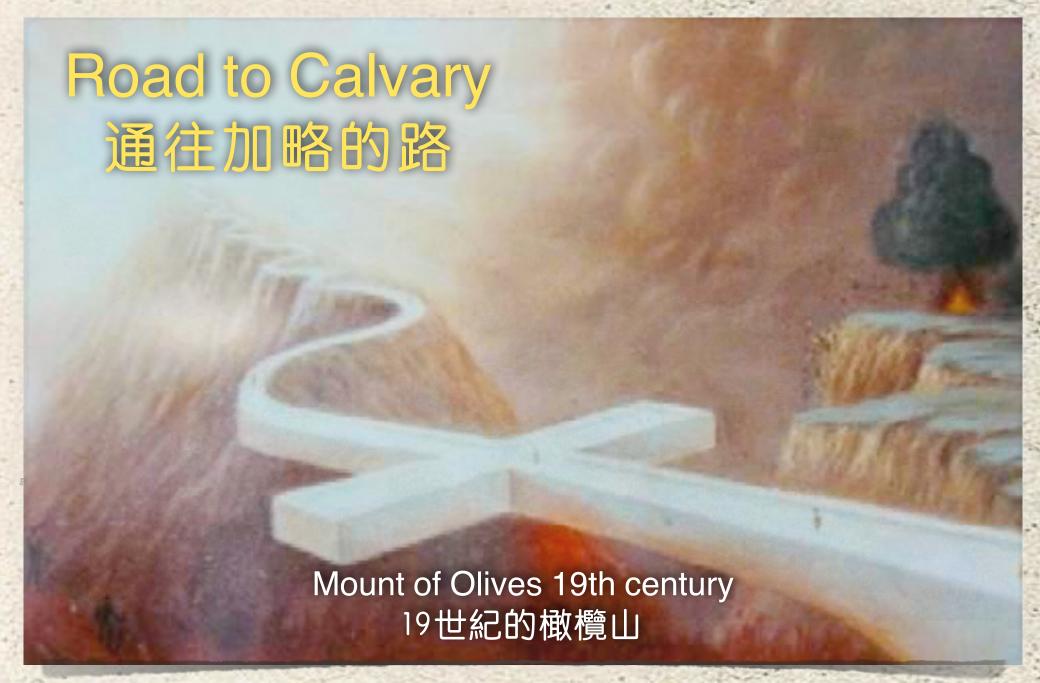
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- 1. The Messianic Journey begins with his majestic entry into Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives 彌賽亞的路程開始於祂從橄欖山榮耀的進入了耶路撒冷
- 2. The Messiah spoke of Jerusalem's coming judgment in his discourse sitting upon Mt. Olivet (Mk 13)

當彌賽亞坐在橄欖山上,在他的話語中提到了將要臨到耶路撒冷的審判(馬可福音13章)

3. Just as David faced Absalom's betrayal upon Olivet (2Sam 15.30), so Jesus faced Judas' betrayal in the garden on Olivet

就像大衛在橄欖山面對了押沙龍的背叛一樣(撒母耳記下15:30);耶穌也在橄欖山的園子裡面對了猶大的背叛



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- 4. David wept upon Olivet as he fled Jerusalem and Jesus also wept upon Olivet both at His entry into Jerusalem (*Lu 19.41*) and in the garden of Gethsemane (*He.5.7*) 大衛在逃離耶路撒冷時在橄欖山哭泣;而耶穌也在橄欖山上哭泣,
 - 不但是在祂進入耶路撒冷時(路加福音19:41),並且也在客西馬尼園裡(希伯來書 5:7)
- 5. Ezekiel saw the Glory of the Lord leave the Temple and pause over the Mount of Olives before going up (*Ezek 11.23*)

以西結看見了神的榮耀離開聖殿時,在橄欖山停留了片刻,才上升離開(以西結書 11.23)

- 6. Jesus ascended from Olivet (Acts 1.9) 耶穌在橄欖山上升天 (使徒行傳 1:9)
- 7. Jesus will return upon Olivet (Zech 14.4) 耶穌將會回橄欖山上(撒迦利亞書14.4)



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Prophecy 預言:

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All four gospels record this prophetic entry of the Messiah into Zion but Mark leaves out the OT prophecy behind it

所有四卷福音書都提到了彌賽亞進入錫安的預言,

但是馬可卻省略不提舊約預言背景

- There would be a crowd rejoicing because the righteous king was coming to save
 - 有歡呼的群眾,因為公義的王要來施行拯救了
- The colt never ridden (set aside in holy preparation) would lift up the king of Judah as Jacob prophesied in Gen. 49.10

這隻驢駒子從來沒被人騎過(被放在一邊,為著神聖的使命作預備),牠會承載猶大的王,就像雅各在創世紀49:10所預言的



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As David rode his donkey as a humble servant king, and so would the messiah

大衛作為謙卑的奴僕君王,騎著驢駒子; 爾賽亞也是這樣的

The goodness and the beauty of this coming King would shine upon the whole land

這位將要來臨的王的美善,會照亮全地

The Messiah enters Jerusalem with apparent Honor and Adoration

爾賽亞明顯的在愛戴及歡迎中進入了耶路撒冷

Mark 11.8-10

And many spread their coats in the road, and others spread leafy branches which they had cut from the fields. Those who went in front and those who followed were shouting:

"HOSANNA! BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD; Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David; Hosanna in the highest!"

馬可福音11: 8-10

有許多人把衣服鋪在路上,也有人把田間的樹枝砍下來,鋪在路上。 9 前行後隨的人都喊着說: 和散那 ! 奉主名來的是應當稱頌的! 那將要來的我祖大衛之國是應當稱頌的!

高高在上和散那!

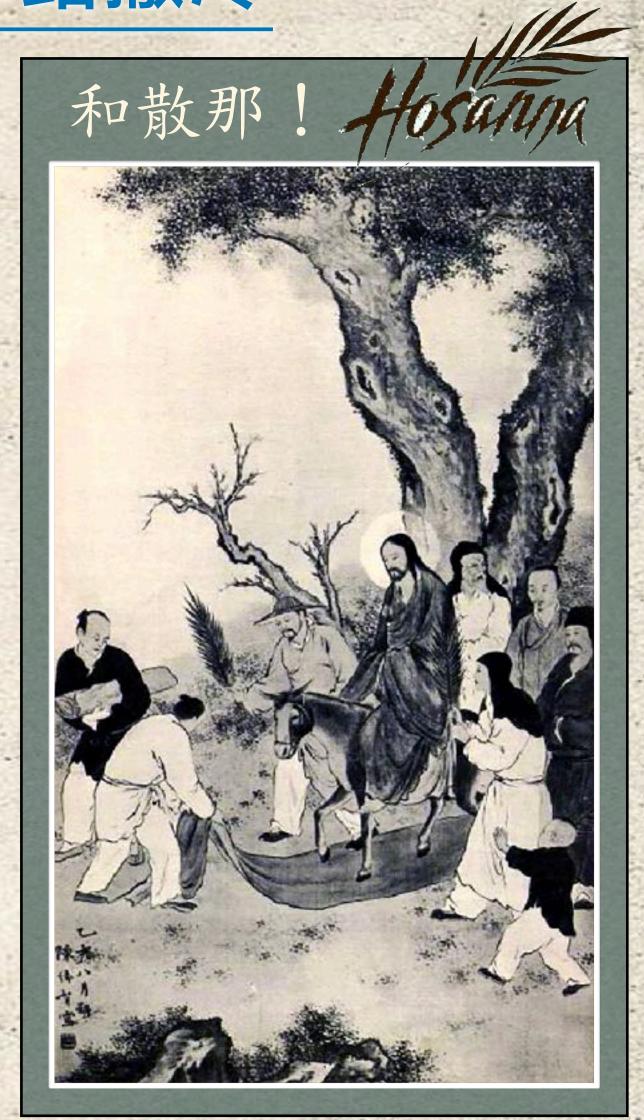
The crowd that met Jesus as he rounded the bend and began his descent were probably made up of three components:

耶穌在轉彎處開始往下走時,那些遇到祂的人群可能由三類人組成:

- 1. Galilean pilgrims who were excited followers of Jesus 從加利利來的朝聖者,他們是跟隨著耶穌一起離開的
- 2. Multitudes from Jerusalem and Judea who had heard and seen him on his visits to Jerusalem

從耶路撒冷及猶大地來的群眾,他們曾在耶穌過去在耶路撒冷時見過祂或聽過祂的教導

- 3. a crowd of curious pilgrims and angry leaders who had heard rumors and wondered what might happen
 - 一群好奇的朝聖客以及憤怒的領導者,他們聽見過傳言,並且想看看會有什麼事發生



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Those lining the road began worshiping Jesus as Messiah in two ways:那些在路邊排列的人開始以二種方式讚美耶穌:

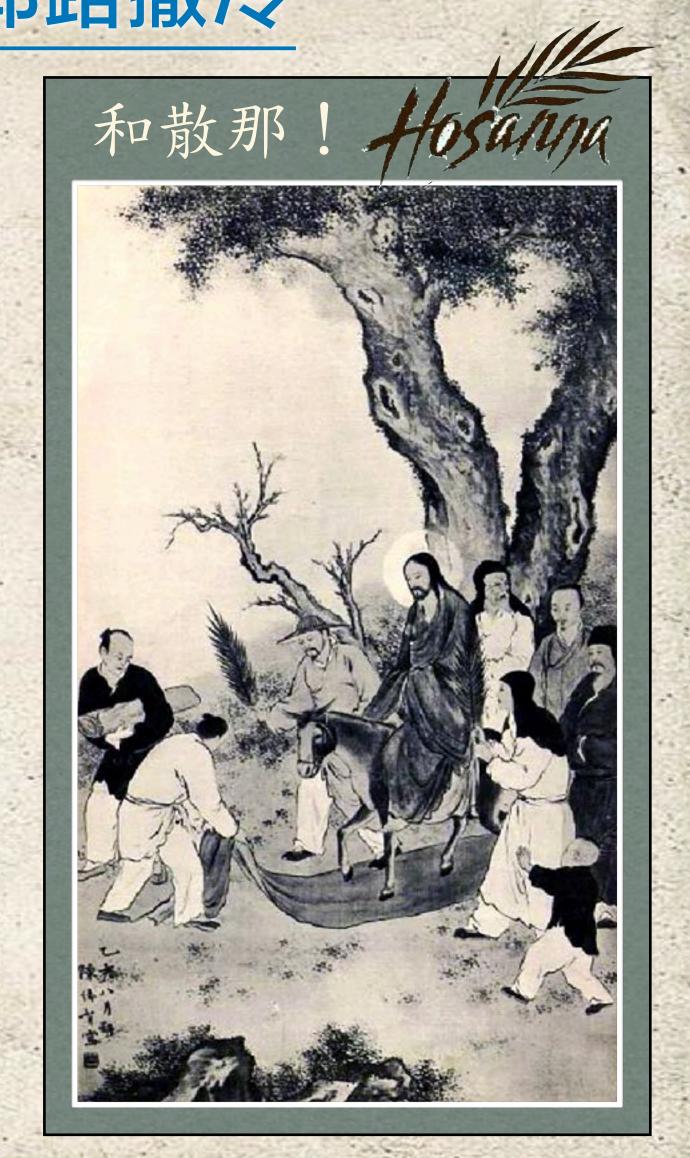
1. As Jesus came down the mount they put coats on the ground, while those coming up from the Kidron valley found palm leaves to lay down before him

當耶穌從山上下來時,他們把外衣鋪在地上,而那些從<u>汲淪溪</u>谷來的人,找到了 棕櫚枝,並鋪在祂面前的地上

2. The crowd began singing their familiar feast chorus from *Ps.118:26* "*Hosanna*" which means "*Save now, we beseech*" "*Hosanna in the highest!*" 群眾從開始唱詩篇118:26他們熟悉的節慶合唱"和散那",它的意思是"我們尋求,現今的拯救""高高在上和散那"

The whole scene was totally and openly messianic and Jesus no longer is hiding or discouraging others from calling Him the Christ - "he who comes in the name of the Lord" and "the kingdom of our father David"

整個的場面是完全敞開的、跟彌賽亞有關的,而耶穌不再隱藏或是阻撓他人稱祂為基督-"奉主名來的"以及"我祖大衛之國"



[Jesus Wept over Jerusalem]

耶穌為耶路撒冷哭

Luke 19.41-44

When He approached Jerusalem, He saw the city and wept over it, saying, "If you had known in this day, even you, the things which make for peace! But now they have been hidden from your eyes. For the days will come upon you when your enemies will throw up a barricade against you, and surround you and hem you in on every side, and they will level you to the ground and your children within you, and they will not leave in you one stone upon another, because you did not recognize the time of your visitation." 路加福音19: 41–44

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- - 從路加福音可以看見,這個時刻為接下來的事情提供了重要的見解,但是馬可福音卻省略了
- ☑ Jesus could see past the beauty of Jerusalem and the worship of the crowd yet He wept loudly with a broken heart 耶穌可以看見超過耶路撒冷的美麗及敬拜的群眾以外的事,因此祂心碎的大聲為耶路撒冷哭泣



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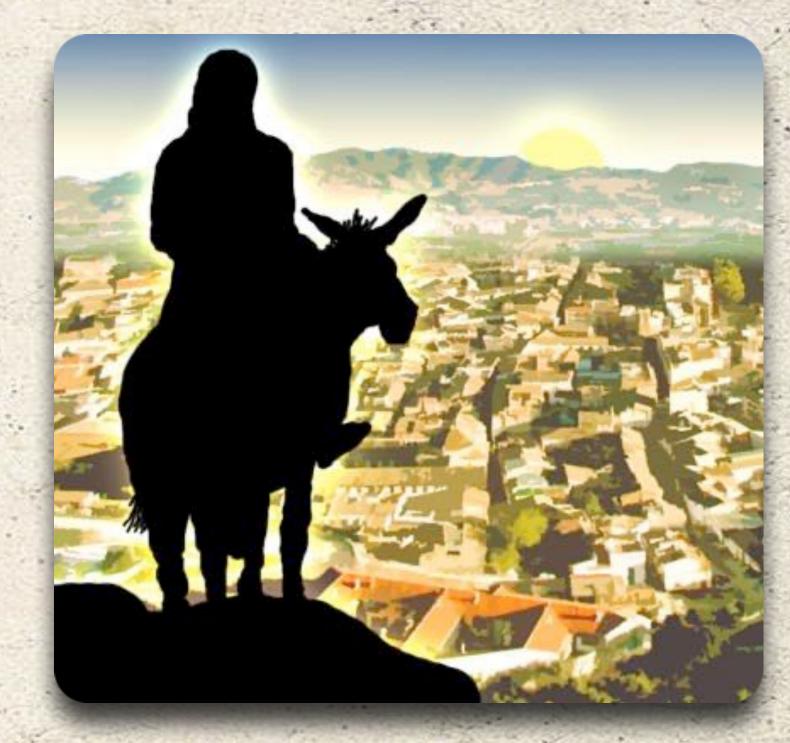
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• He knew two things with prophetic insight:

以先知的預見看見, 祂知道二件事:

- The certainty of Jerusalem's coming judgment and destruction because they 'knew not' their Messiah's visitation
 耶路撒冷肯定會面臨的審判及毀滅,因為他們"不知道"他們的彌賽亞眷顧的時候
- 2. This worship would soon turn to rejection by the people and the prophetic unfolding of betrayal, trial, torture, and death 敬拜很快的會變成人民的拒絕,以及預言性的展開背叛、審判、折磨及死亡



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He saw the Temple in all of its Passover Glory and busyness:

祂看見了聖殿在所有的逾越節榮耀及忙碌中:

- Fragrance of 1000's of sacrifices in the air
 一千多頭被宰殺的祭牲的味道充滿在空氣中
- Special choral singing by the Levites
 利未支派的特別唱詩班
- Multitudes coming, looking, re-uniting, buying sacrifices
 許多來來往往的人、觀望、重聚、買獻祭的牲畜
- Noise of animals and children mixed with prayers 動物及兒童的吵雜聲,夾雜著禱告的聲音



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The verse emphasizes that Jesus looked around at everything in His Father's House but found no rest or holiness or home so he left for Bethany for the night

經文強調說,耶穌環顧了祂父親家中的一切,卻找不到安息、聖潔或居所 因此祂晚上去了<u>伯大尼</u>

The Messiah was supposed to come and receive his kingdom in His City, but there was nothing there

彌賽亞本該來在祂的城裡接受祂的國度, 但在那裡什麼也沒有

This anticlimax undoubtedly disappointed the multitudes who were anticipating some great messianic event - so they all went home 這場反高潮無疑的使那些期待發生重大彌賽亞事件的民眾感到失望-因此他們都回家了



Day Two: Monday 第二天: 星期一

The Messiah curses the Fig Tree and Cleanses the Temple 爾賽亞咒詛無花果樹並潔淨了聖殿

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* Coming down from Bethany Jesus was hungry when they came to Bethpage (house of figs) and saw a fig tree in leaf

當他們從<u>伯大尼</u>下來,到了<u>伯法其</u>(無花果樹之家)的時侯,耶穌餓了, 並看見了一棵有葉子的無花果樹

* Jesus uncharacteristically cursed the fig tree and the disciples took note

耶穌反常地咒詛無花果樹,門徒們都注意到了

* Since Jesus asked for a colt to ride into Jerusalem, Jesus has been acting differently than the disciples were used to but they have yet to tie his actions in with the revelations of His being Messiah and Son of God

從耶穌要求騎驢駒子進入耶路撒冷以來,耶穌的行為已經不同於門徒們從前所習慣的,但是他們還沒有將祂的行為與他是彌賽亞和神的兒子的啟示連在一起



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* Modern scholars worry a lot about the fig tree and feel Jesus was cruel to curse a tree that was not 'in season' for figs

現代學者對於無花果樹感到十分擔心,並感到耶穌詛咒還不是結果子時候的無花果樹是殘酷的

- In fact through the winter the fig tree has little buds which can be eaten in early Spring and leaves are a sign these are ready and edible 實際上,無花果樹經過了冬天,會結出小型的蒂,那些在早春是可以吃的,而
 - 實際上,無化果倒經過了冬大,曾結出小型的帝,那些任早春是可以吃的,而 葉子就是這些是長好了並可吃的徵兆
- They feel the Lord's ill tempered hunger was no excuse 他們覺得主的脾氣暴躁絕不是藉口
- Some say this cannot be a real saying of Jesus because He only blessed and never cursed
- 有人說這不真的是耶穌說的話,因為耶穌只是祝福而從不詛咒
- But clearly there is something more going on here than is a first apparent 很顯然的,在這有比粗淺的表象還多的事情正在發生





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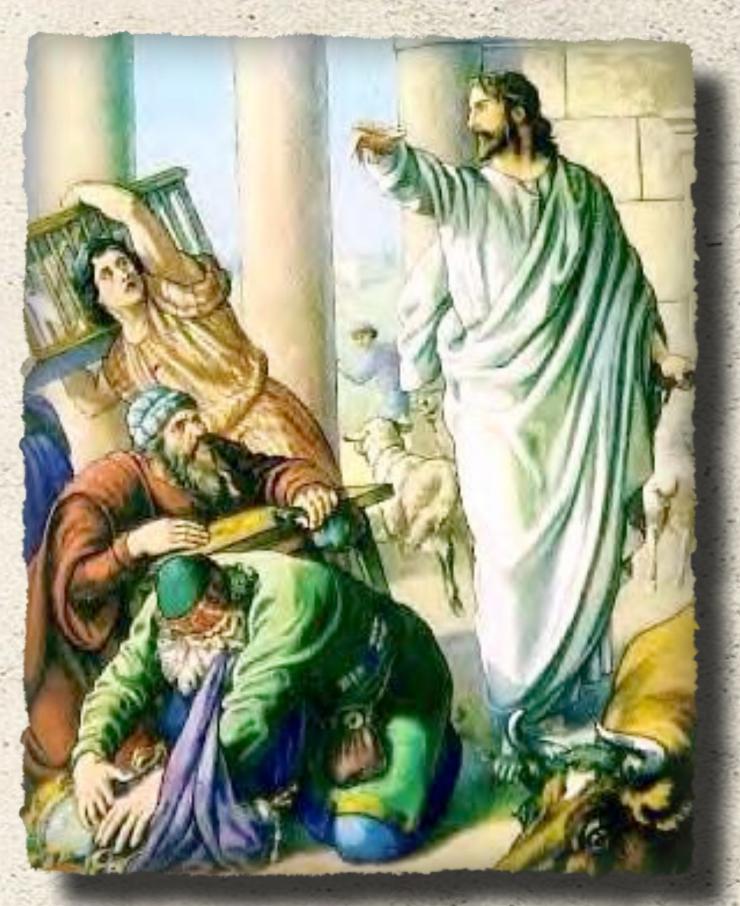
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- Annas the former high priest was in charge of exchanging Roman foreign currency into Temple shekels which were then used to buy animals for sacrifice (\$million business)

前大祭司亞拿負責將羅馬的外幣兌換成聖殿用的舍客勒,然後又用聖殿的舍客勒來購買獻祭用的祭牲(數百萬元的生意)

- Traveling pilgrims often didn't bring sacrificial animals from home but bought them in the gentile court of the Temple

朝聖者通常不會從家中帶走祭祀的動物,而是在聖殿旁外邦人的院購買牠們



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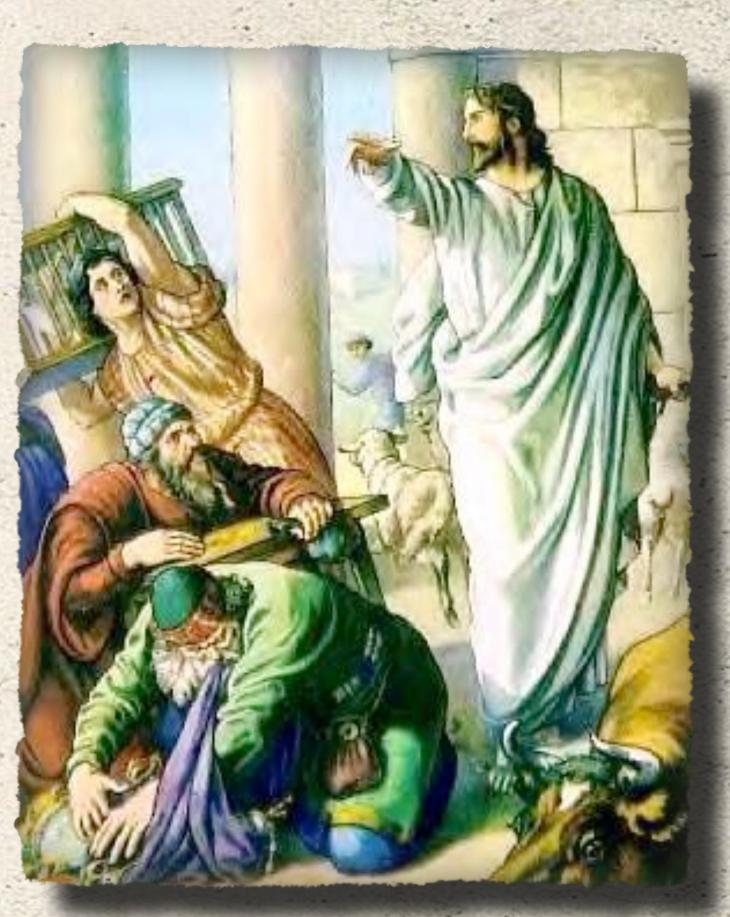
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- Jesus anger flared with 'unusual' authority which overturned the high priest's authority and sent all the merchants outside

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- Overturned money changers 推翻兌換銀錢的桌子
- Drove dove sellers out of area 把那裡做買賣的人趕走
- prevented transporting animals through the area 不准把動物帶著進出那裡
- This action was yet another surprising messianic action which was prophesied in the OT

這個動作是舊約中預言的另一個令人驚訝的彌賽亞動作



The Commercial Business in the Temple is judged by the Messiah

聖殿中的商業活動被彌賽亞審判

Mark 11.17 And He began to teach and say to them, "Is it not written, 'MY HOUSE SHALL BE CALLED A HOUSE OF PRAYER FOR ALL THE NATIONS'? But you have made it a ROBBERS' DEN."

Mark 11.18 The chief priests and the scribes heard this, and began seeking how to destroy Him; for they were afraid of

Him, for the whole crowd was astonished at His teaching.

馬可福音11:17 便教訓他們說: 「經上不是記着說: 我的殿必稱為萬國禱告的殿嗎? 你們 倒使它成為賊窩了。」

馬可福音11:18 祭司長和文士聽見這話,就想法子要除滅耶穌,卻又怕他,因為眾人都 希奇他的教訓。

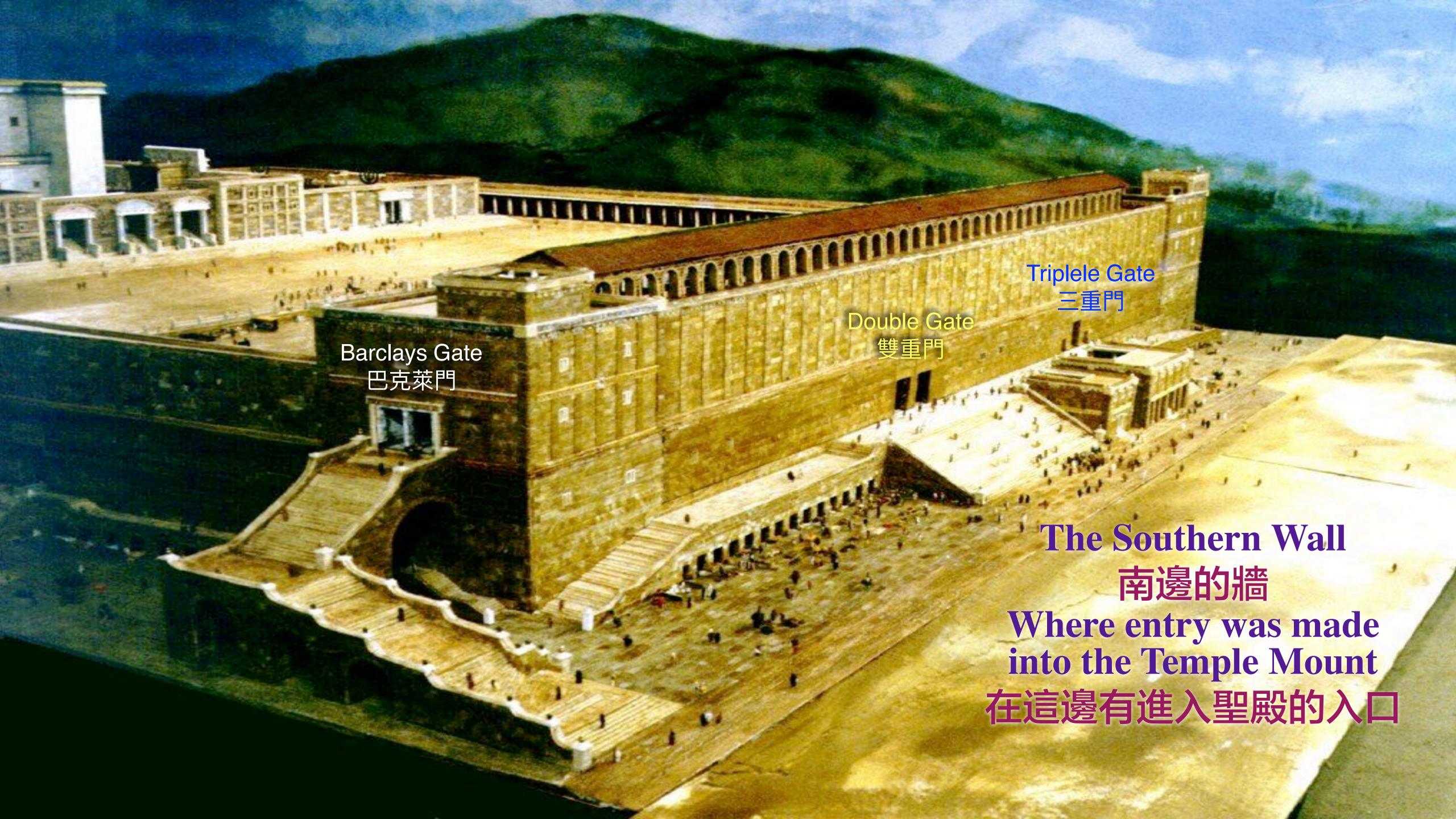
The court of the gentiles was meant to be for God-fearing Gentiles to come for pray and worship of God

外邦人的院原本是為了敬畏神的外邦人來祈禱和敬拜神的

- ☑ Jesus brought judgment upon the Jewish Leaders (Sadducees) for corrupting God's original purpose for "MY House" Isa. 56.7
 耶穌帶來猶太人的首領(撒都該人)的審判,因為他們敗壞了神對於"我的殿"最初的目的(以賽亞書56:7)
- The authorities were furious with this disruption by this false messiah and yet afraid of the crowd's total support and astonishment of Him

當局對這個錯誤的彌賽亞造成的破壞感到憤怒,但卻害怕群眾對祂的完全支持和驚嘆









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Mal. 3.3 He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and they will bring offerings in righteousness to the LORD.

馬拉基書3:3 他必坐下如煉淨銀子的,必潔淨利未人,熬煉他們像 金銀一樣; 他們就憑公義獻供物給耶和華。 Malachi prophesied the coming of John the Baptist (my messenger)

瑪拉基書預言了施洗約翰(我的使者)的到來

But then the Lord Messiah would suddenly come to the Temple with refiner's fire

但是後來彌賽亞主會突然帶著煉淨的火來到聖殿

The priests and leaders who were praying and seeking for the messiah to come would not be ready when he comes

祈禱並尋求彌賽亞來臨的祭司和領袖們,在祂來臨時,並沒有做好準備



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Mal. 3.2 But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap.

馬拉基書3:2 他來的日子,誰能當得起呢? 他顯現的時候,誰能立得住呢? 因為他如煉金之人的火,如漂布之人的鹼。

Mal. 3.3 He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and they will bring offerings in righteousness to the LORD.

馬拉基書3:3 他必坐下如煉淨銀子的,必潔淨利未人,熬煉他們像 金銀一樣; 他們就憑公義獻供物給耶和華。 The priests (sons of Levi) will be refined and cleansed from all the corruption until their lives matched the purity of the precious gold and silver of the Temple furnishings

祭司們(利未之子)將在一切腐敗中被提煉及潔淨,直到他們的生活與聖殿中陳設的寶貴金銀物品的純度相匹配

☑ Jesus acted deliberately as Priest and ruler of the House of God as he cleansed the Temple 耶穌在潔淨聖殿時,刻意的行出了祭司和神的家的 管理者該盡的職分

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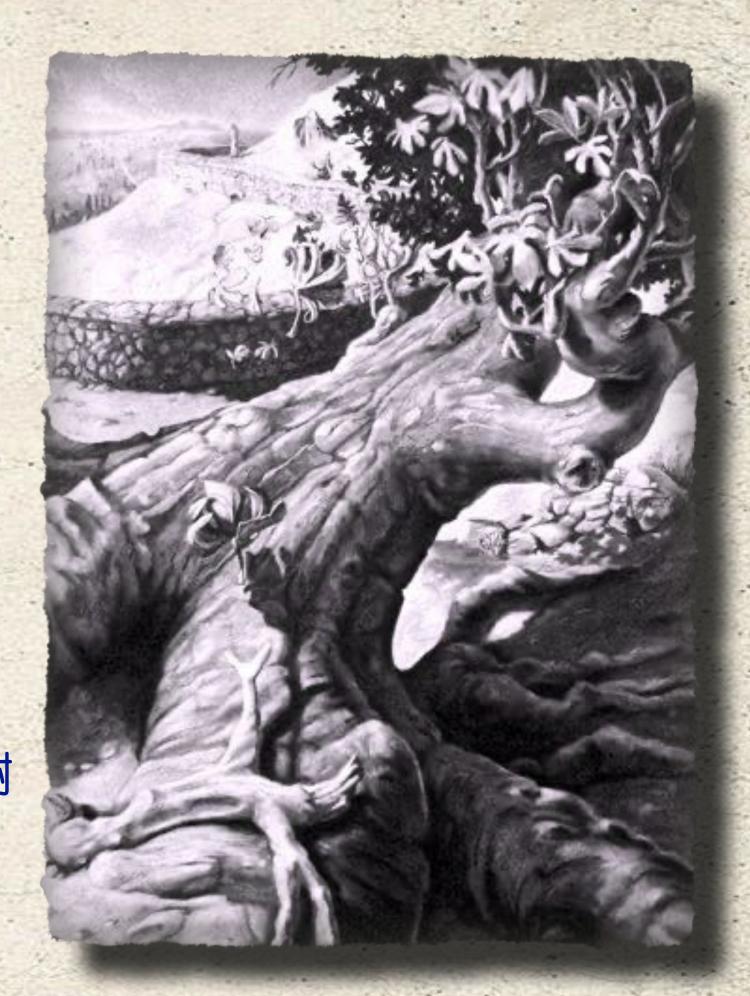
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- The disciples are still amazed by the power Jesus has over nature 門徒仍然對耶穌擁有超越自然的力量而感到驚訝
- But Jesus is doing something much larger in scope than condemning a barren fig tree - the Jewish nation was God's fig tree (Micah 4.4)
 但是耶穌所做的事比譴責不結果的無花果樹要大得多-猶太民族是神的無花果樹 (彌迦書 4:4)



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- □ The Messiah was judging the nation 彌賽亞在審判列國:
 - Israel was made to stand out from afar as a testimony of God 以色列是能讓列國在遠方都能看到的神的見證
 - He saw leaves which were an outward sign of life and fruit 他看到葉子是生命和果實的外在標誌
 - But there was no fruit on the tree at all- "dead from the roots up" 但是樹上根本沒有果實-"從根部開始死去"
- Serion Description of Jer. 8.12-13 upon the nation

耶穌帶來了先知在耶利米書8:12-13提到的對列國的審判





3rd Messianic Prophecy Fulfilled 第三個應驗的彌賽亞預言

Prophecy 預言:

Jer. 8.12 Were they ashamed when they committed abomination? No, they were not at all ashamed; they did not know how to blush. Therefore they shall fall among the fallen; when I punish them, they shall be overthrown, says the LORD.

取利米書8:12 他們行可憎的事知道慚愧嗎? 不然,他們毫不慚愧,也不知羞恥。因此他們必在仆倒的人中仆倒;我向他們討罪的時候,他們必致跌倒。這是耶和華說的。

Jer. 8.13 When I would gather them, declares the LORD, there are no grapes on the vine, nor figs on the fig tree; even the leaves are withered, and what I gave them has passed away from them."

耶利米書8:13 耶和華說: 我必使他們全然滅絕; 葡萄樹上必沒有葡萄, 無花果樹上必沒有果子, 葉子也必枯乾。我所賜給他們的, 必離開他們過去。

In Jeremiah 8 the leaders of Jerusalem are being judged for their corruption and blindness to the impending judgment awaiting the city

在耶利米書第8章中,耶路撒冷的領袖因其腐敗和對即將到來的審判盲目而被審判

1. Jesus was judging their lack of shame at the money changing and merchandising in the Temple

耶穌審判他們不感到羞恥的在殿堂裡兌換銀錢及做買賣

2. The Lord says he would overthrow them even as Jesus did the dove merchants

主說祂會推翻他們,就像耶穌對賣鴿子的商人一樣

3. Their worship and life before the Lord had no fruit either of grapes nor of figs

他們在主面前的敬拜和生活並沒有葡萄或無花果的果子

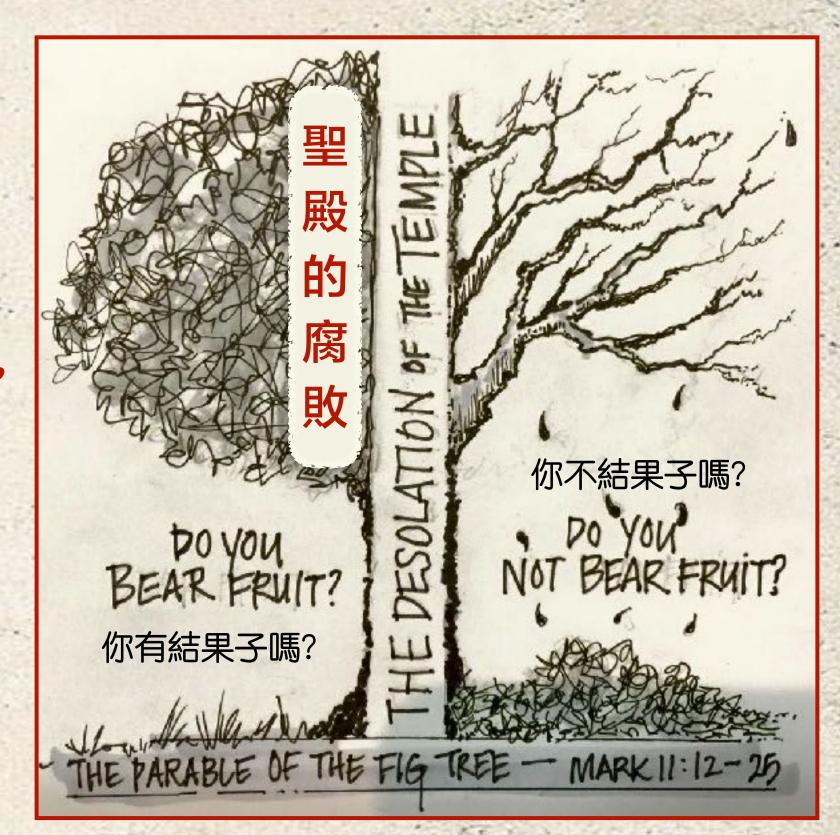
The Fig Tree surrounding the Temple Cleansing is a Markan Sandwich

無花果樹圍繞著潔淨聖殿的事件是個馬可式的三明治

Here is another Markan sandwich: on the outside is the cursing and the withering of the fig tree and in between is the cleansing of the Temple

這是另一個<u>馬可</u>式的三明治:在外面是無花果樹的詛咒和枯萎,而夾在中間的是潔淨聖殿

- Only Peter gives us these two eye witness stories intertwined as one over the two "Messiah filled" days (Mk 11.21 Peter *said to Him, "Rabbi, look, the fig tree which You cursed has withered.") 只有彼得給我們提供了這兩個目擊者的故事,將兩個"充滿了彌賽亞"的日子裡,彼此交織在一起(馬可福音 11.21 彼得…就對他說:「拉比,請看!你所咒詛的無花果樹已經枯乾了。」)
- From the very first commentary of Mark written in the fifth century A.D. by Victor of Antioch, this cursing of the Fig Tree was understood as a "parable" Jesus was acting out 從公元五世紀安提阿的維特 (Victor of Antioch) 撰寫的第一個馬可福音的評論起,對無花果樹的詛咒被理解為耶穌表現出來的"比喻"



無花果樹的比喻-馬可福音11:12-25

This Messianic Parable of the Fig Tree has four broader lessons for the disciples

這個跟彌賽亞有關的無花果樹比喻給了門徒們四個更廣泛的功課

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The 'fig tree' judged by the messiah addresses the moral and spiritual fruitlessness of the people of God, judged not for the lack of fruit, but for the religious deception of its leaves which had no real fruit upon inspection - Lu. 13.6-9

"無花果樹"被彌賽亞審判,針對了神子民在道德和靈性上的不結果子,不是審判它缺乏果子,而是為了它的葉子是宗教上的欺騙,這被檢查時,就發現沒有真正的結果子(路加福音 13.6-9)

The fig tree curse was the inner part of a deeper judgment which now leads to removal of the mountain
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The mountain must be removed for the Messiah has two peaks: 必須將山挪去,因為彌賽亞有兩個山峰:

- 1. The Temple Mount center of faith's corruption which has become a den of thieves instead of a "house of Prayer for all Nations" 聖殿山-信仰腐敗的中心,已經變成了賊窩,而不是"萬國禱告的殿"
- 2. Mount Zion, the <u>city</u> once filled with the Shekinah glory of God but which now was resplendent with outer beauty (leaves) but no longer the resting place and Throne of God 錫安山-這座城曾經充滿了神同在的榮耀,但現在因外在美(葉子)而 光彩照人, 但不再是安息之地和神的寶座



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Jesus prepares the disciples for the coming mountain's removal for which they will need "faith in God" to see Zion and the Temple's messianic judgment

耶穌為門徒們面臨即將到來的移山作準備,為此他們需要"信靠神"才能看到錫安和聖殿的彌賽亞審判

Fruitfulness is the true mountain which is found by abiding in the Messiah by faith

結實纍纍是憑信住在彌賽亞裡而被發現的真正山峰



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Living faith in God (lit. in Gk "faith of God") bears the fruitfulness of an overcoming life as the believer:

在神的裡面有活的信心(希臘字"神的信心")是信徒過得勝的生活所能多結的果子

1) Sees beyond the mountain's outward beauty to the obstacle it has become to God's purpose and therefore must be removed

看到超越山外表的美景,它成了神旨意的障礙物,因此必須被挪去

2) Speaks to (command) the mountain; faith is released when there is concrete expression

說出(吩咐)那山;當有具體表達時,就會釋放出信心

- 3) **Believes** that what is spoken is 'already done' without doubting in heart 相信所說的是"已經完成"的,心中不要疑惑
- 4) Receives what has been granted by faith as well even before outwardly received

甚至在外在還沒接受以前,就先要接受信心所賜予的



#3. The Fig Tree is also a lesson in prayer (三)無花果樹也是個禱告的功課

Mark 11.25 And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any: that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses.

馬可福音11:25 你們站着禱告的時候,若想起有人得罪你們,就當饒恕他,好叫你們在天上的父也饒恕你們的過犯。

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Jesus continues to show how prayer that is offered with living faith is dependent upon a "clean heart"

耶穌繼續顯示,禱告如何能獻上活的信心,是基於"潔淨的心"

1) The mountains and fig trees cannot be removed if there is the unforgiveness of personal anger or hurt clogging the heart's exercise of faith

如果有無法原諒人的憤怒或傷害阻塞了操練信心的心,則無法除去山和無花果樹

2) Forgiving from the heart of any motives but Kingdom glory must first be dealt with before the heart is free to hear a Word and act in living faith

人若心中能放下對神國榮耀之外的任何動機,才能釋放地聽到神的話和行出活潑的信心

3) Unforgiveness can be either a vertical mountain blocking faith's vision or a horizontal fig tree cursing the blooming of the fruit of the Spirit

不能饒恕可以是個豎立的山峰阻擋了信心的異象,或是橫行的無花果樹詛咒了聖靈果實的發旺





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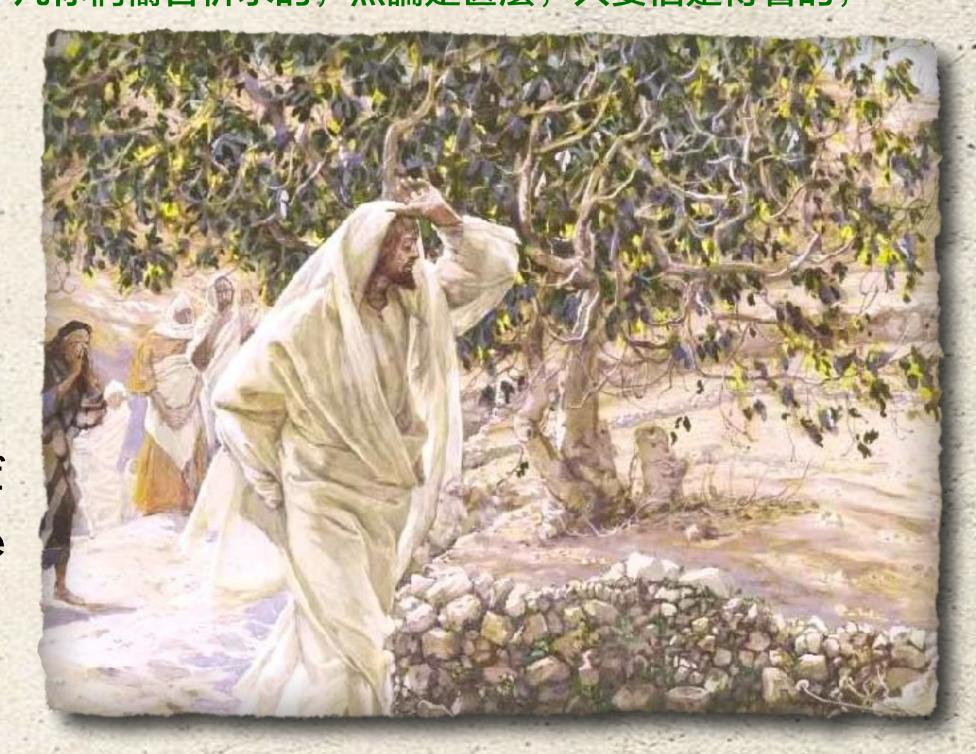
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1. The leaves are the foliage of our pretentious <u>flesh</u> which deceives us by the appearance of goodness, worth and religious values although it bears no fruit

葉子是我們自命不凡的**內體**,就算它沒有結果子,卻以善良、價值 和宗教價值觀的外表欺騙了我們

2. The cross brings the curse of judgment upon our 'fig tree' of flesh as it dries up our faith and prayer by the roots which are at enmity with his Spirit who produces godly fruit

十字架給我們肉體的"無花果樹"帶來了審判的詛咒,因為它從根部使我們的信心和祈禱枯竭,這是敵對產生敬虔果子的聖靈的



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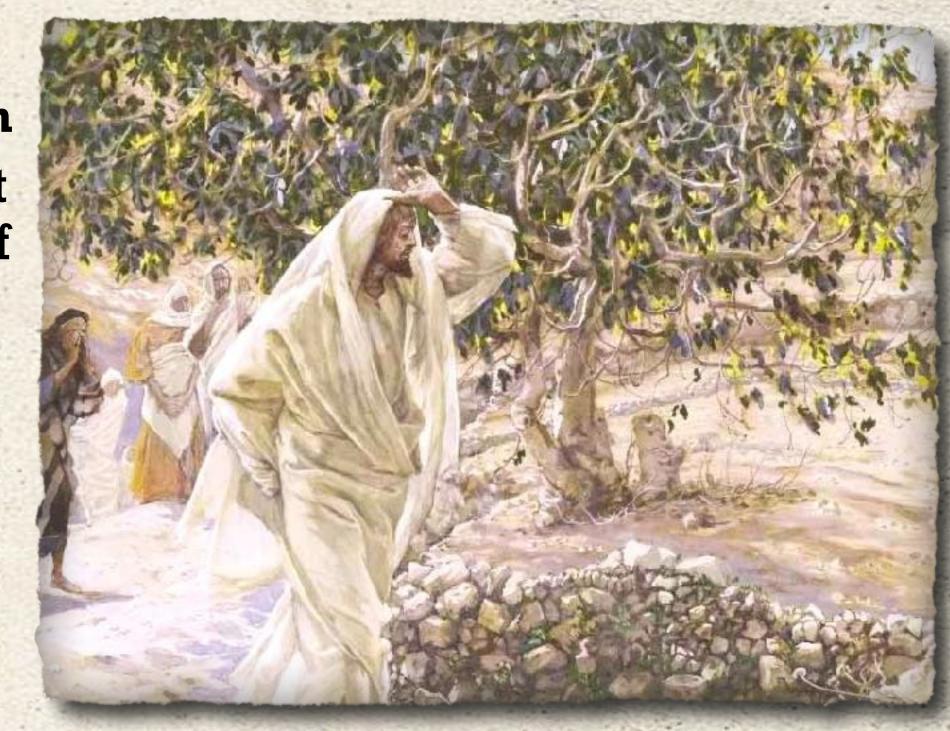
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3. Corporately our religious flesh builds up outward church mountains of tradition and self righteousness that cannot be moved except by repentance and a new discovery of fruitful prayer and living faith under Christ the Head

以團體而言,我們的宗教肉體,建立的是傳統**外在的教會眾山**,而自以爲義不能被動搖,除非是在基督為元首之下的悔改,並有個新發現**結果子的禱告和活潑的信心**



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4. This fig tree parable applies to the church's inward fruitlessness and the mountain to her outward 'riches' which can make it a *den of thieves* or a **leafy tree** having a "form of godliness but denying the power" of mountain moving faith and Spirit fruitfulness

這個無花果樹的比喻能引用於教會的內在不結果子,而外表像山一樣的"富足",可能成為**賊窩**或是**有許多葉子的樹**,其具有"**敬虔的 外表但拒絕**能移山的信心**能力**"及聖靈的豐滿果子



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