

Jesus Weeps Over Israel's Coming Destruction (Luke 19:41-44)

⁴¹ Now as He drew near, He saw the city and wept over it, ⁴² saying, "If you had known, even you, especially in this your day, the things that make for your peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. ⁴³ "For days will come upon you when your enemies will build an embankment around you, surround you and close you in on every side, ⁴⁴ "and level you, and your children within you, to the ground; and they will not leave in you one stone upon another, because you did not know the time of your visitation."

Seven Observations

1. Jesus' _____

⁴¹ Now as He drew near, He saw the city

2. Jesus' _____

and wept over it,

- not a silent dropping of tears or weeping such as ordinarily denoted by δακρύω (*dakruo* – Jesus wept – John 11:35)
- strictly, δακρύω denotes to shed tears, weep silently; κλαίω (*klaio*) to weep audibly – each is only used once of Jesus
- Jesus wept (*klaio*) **out loud**

3. Jesus' _____

Verses 42-44

4. Israel's _____ Opportunity

⁴² saying, "If you had known, even you, especially in this your day, the things [that make] for your peace!

5. Israel's _____ Opportunity

But now they are hidden from your eyes.

6. Israel's _____ Destruction

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- For the days will come upon you
- When your enemies:
 - Will **build** an embankment around you
 - Will **surround** you
 - Will **close** you in on every side
 - Will **level** you, and your children within you, to the ground
 - Will not **leave** in you one stone upon another

7. Israel's Ongoing and _____ Rejection

because you did not know the time of your visitation.

Lit. "in place of which things not you knew the season of the overseeing of you."

(ἀνθ' ὧν οὐκ ἔγνωσ τὸν καιρὸν τῆς ἐπισκοπῆς σου.)

- *Because* – "anti" – in place of – in reality, they replaced or traded the grace of God for the destruction by their enemies (and ultimately the lake of fire)
- *Know* – recognize, learn (key word here – same as Verse 42)
- *Time* – season; allotted time; limited time
- *Visitation* – the limited time God presented His offer of grace to Israel

Acts 1:20 "For it is written in the book of Psalms: 'Let his dwelling place be desolate, And let no one live in it'; and, 'Let another take his office.'

γέγραπται γὰρ ἐν βίβλῳ ψαλμῶν· γενηθήτω ἡ ἔπαυλις αὐτοῦ ἔρημος καὶ μὴ ἔστω ὁ κατοικῶν ἐν αὐτῇ, καὶ· τὴν ἐπισκοπὴν αὐτοῦ λαβέτω ἕτερος.

1 Tim 3:1 This [is] a faithful saying: If a man desires the position of a bishop, he desires a good work.

πιστὸς ὁ λόγος. Εἴ τις ἐπισκοπῆς ὀρέγεται, καλοῦ ἔργου ἐπιθυμεῖ.

1 Pet 2:12 having your conduct honorable among the Gentiles, that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by [your] good works which they observe, glorify God in the day of visitation.

τὴν ἀναστροφὴν ὑμῶν ἐν τοῖς ἔθνεσιν ἔχοντες καλήν, ἵνα ἐν ᾧ καταλαλοῦσιν ὑμῶν ὡς κακοποιῶν ἐκ τῶν καλῶν ἔργων ἐποπτεύοντες δοξάσωσιν τὸν θεὸν ἐν ἡμέρᾳ ἐπισκοπῆς.

Matt. 23:37-39 "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing! ³⁸ "See! Your house is left to you desolate; ³⁹ "for I say to you, you shall see Me no more till you say, 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!'"

Luke 23:28 But Jesus, turning to them, said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for Me, but weep for yourselves and for your children.

Six Lessons for Us

1. Our opportunity to _____ to God is limited.
2. God's unlimited grace is for a limited _____.
3. God's _____ on you is real.
4. God's _____ for you is real.
5. God's _____ to you is real.
6. Your opportunity is _____.