

Message Notes
Good News: Turning Over Tables

Daily Devotional Guide

Verse of the Week: “Have faith in God! I assure you that whoever says to this mountain, ‘Be lifted up and thrown into the sea’—and doesn’t waver but believes what is said will really happen—it will happen.” (Mark 11:22-23, CEB).

Daily Prayer

Almighty God, you know that I have no power in myself to help myself: Keep me both outwardly in my body and inwardly in my soul, that I may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ the Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Introduction to this week’s *Immerse* New Testament Scripture readings (Week 10): This week’s readings take us through the second half of the Gospel of Matthew:

Day:	Reference:	Messiah Pages:
Monday	Matthew 16:1-18:35	340-345
Tuesday	Matthew 19:1-22:22	345-351
Wednesday	Matthew 22:23-25:46	351-358
Thursday	Matthew 26:1-27:26	358-363
Friday	Matthew 27:27-28:20	363-366

Questions for Reflection/Journaling/Discussion:

1. How did you respond to this week’s message? What insights and questions did it raise for you?
2. How does Matthew’s version of this story differ from Mark’s? What new insights does it offer? What questions does it raise?
3. The Temple had become a symbol representing something other than God intended. What are some of the symbols we have invested in that are more harmful than helpful?
4. In what ways is Jesus himself the new Temple?
5. You may also respond to the questions in the *Immerse: Messiah* reading plan card.

Intercessory Prayer Guide:

Monday -Pray for doctors, nurses, and researchers on the front lines of the virus.

Tuesday - Pray for those who are sick at home or in the hospital

Wednesday - Pray for grocery store workers, truck drivers, and other service workers who are keeping things going in our culture.

Thursday - Pray for those who are fearful these days—for peace.

Friday - Pray for God’s Spirit to move in a powerful way in this unusual season.

Saturday Pray for those who may be encountering Christ for the first time through our digital worship services.