

Wednesday, April 8: Holy Wednesday

Day four, Scripture does not record a great deal of information on this hump day. What we do know is the journey has been exhausting for Jesus and His disciples as they and we along with them, have traveled along the path of a triumphant entry into Jerusalem, over the last couple of days Jesus has challenged religious authority and our way of life by clearing the Temple of money changers, declaring the Temple as a house of prayer, even giving a prophecy on the end of the age. There is a great deal to contemplate.

Let us pray ...

Almighty God, Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Wednesday's events are recorded in Luke 21:37-38, Matthew 26:3-5, Mark 14:1-2, and Luke 22:1-2

The day does not record much turmoil even with Jesus teaching in the Temple. What could be speculated is that after so much activity in the previous two days is Jesus and His disciples spent the majority of the day resting in anticipation of Passover beginning.

Bethany is the location not only of Jesus' rest after a day of activity in Jerusalem. Bethany is the place where he raised His dear friend Lazarus from the dead. It is the place where he revealed to the disciples and the world His power over death. Bethany is the place where Lazarus' sister Mary anoints Jesus' feet with expensive perfume.

Bethany a sabbath place ...

Bethany a foreshadowing of a new day ...

Bethany a genesis into tomorrow ...

Wednesday is a day of reflection and rest as Jesus teaches in the Temple and we prepare for tomorrow. In preparing for tomorrow where is your heart, soul, and mind as you reflect upon the events in Bethany?