DIFFERENT: Christ Our Hope 1 Peter 3:18-4:6 Sunday, May 19, 2019 Dr. Josh Branum, Family Pastor

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For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit... (1 Peter 3:18)

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." (Matthew 16:24-25)

"When Christ calls a man, he bids him come and die." —Dietrich Bonhoeffer

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Since therefore Christ suffered in the flesh, arm yourselves with the same way of thinking, for whoever has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin, so as to live for the rest of the time in the flesh no longer for human passions but for the will of God. (1 Peter 4:1-2)

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. (2 Corinthians 5:17-21)

For the time that is past suffices for doing what the Gentiles want to do... (1 Peter 4:3)

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...but they will give account to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead. (1 Peter 4:5)

The one who conquers will not be hurt by the second death. (Revelation 2:11)

So, we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal. (2 Corinthians 4:16-18)

TRAIN READING PLAN: May 19-25

-Psalm 84; Acts 28 -Psalm 85; Romans 1 -Psalm 86; Romans 2 -Psalm 87; Romans 3 -Psalm 88; Romans 4

Legend:

Christ is our only hope through a life of suffering. Christ is our only hope for a life on mission. Christ is our only hope for the life to come.

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