Remembering Jesus Every Week

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Introduction

- 1. 1 Corinthians 11:23-29
 - a. Underline "you" and "Me"
 - b. NOTE: "remembrance" is used twice. He wants us to remember!
 - c. We could remember His physical pain (i.e., scourging, equated to His being "flayed alive").
 - d. I'd like for us to think a little deeper...consider the emotional trauma He was willing to endure.
- 2. Turn to Luke [written initially to Gentiles].
 - a. It helps us non-Jews see what He experienced.
 - b. It helps us see someone who was willing to be "Haunted," "Hurt" and "Humiliated" for us.

I. "Haunted"

- A. Mount of "Transfiguration" (Luke 9:18-20, 28-31)
 - Moses
 - (a) "Moses spent 40 years thinking he was somebody; 40 years learning he was nobody; and 40 years discovering what God can do with a nobody" (Moody).
 - (b) Moses is mentioned 847 times in Bible.
 - (c) It would be intriguing to talk to him about the plagues, the Red Sea, the finger of God on Mt. Sinai or the glory of God in the tabernacle.
 - 2. Elijah
 - (a) He is called one of the "outstanding heroes of the Bible" (Zondervan Pictorial).
 - (b) The Holy Spirit apparently agrees (cf. Mal. 4:4-6; John 1:19-21; Matt. 27:47).
 - (c) It would be intriguing to talk with him about Cherith, Mt. Carmel, Ahab and Jezebel or the chariot of fire.
- B. 2 Peter 1:16
 - 1. Peter, outsider-looking-in, majesty!
 - 2. Outsiders-looking-into-his-heart on heart: agony!

II. "Hurt" Feelings

- A. Mount of "Tribulation" (Luke 22:39-44)
 - 1. "Kneeled"
 - (a) Matthew tells us that He fell on His face.
 - (b) See the sands of Gethsemane plastered to His face by the tears forced from the hollowed-out core of His tormented soul.
 - 2. "Agony"
 - (a) Mark tells us that He was He was greatly amazed [literally, "horror-struck"].
 - (b) Matthew uses these words: "My soul is..." It was like someone had ripped a hole out of His soul and replaced it with hot coals wrapped in barbwire.
- B. Hebrews 5:7
 - 1. I need to remember [dakruo, "weep silently" in contrast to klaio, "weep audibly"]!

III. "Humiliated"

- A. Mount of "Execution" [cf. On a hill far away, stood an old rugged cross...] (Luke 23:34; cf. John 19:23-24; Job 1:21)
 - 1. "Parted His garments"
 - (a) Usually five pieces of clothing: two sandals, under garment, outer garment and girdle.
 - (b) John tells us that five soldiers walked away with a piece of clothing.
 - 2. "Father...My God...Father..."
 - (a) First and last petitions began with the word of affection, Father.
 - (b) And what did the Father do (Matt. 27:43)?

B. Hebrews 12:2

1. I need to remember [aiscune, "disgrace" and kataphroneo, "think down, disdain"]!

Conclusion

- 1. Luke 23:33
 - a. "...skull..." literally, kranion, a place of decapitated heads picked clean by buzzards. Horrible!
 - b. "...save thyself..." (cf. Matt. 27:43). Truer words never spoken. He had to make a choice...HE CHOSE YOU...and that brings us back to the passage we started with and the words we underlined.
- 2. 1 Cor. 11:24-25 "...for you" and "...of Me..."