

This morning before I begin...Ponder this thought: "Why would you expect the gospel to transform someone else's life... if you have not let it transform yours?"

Title Sunday's Coming !

Bow your heads this morning... Hear what Jesus prayed for you... Listen intently. With your ears and heart, as you close your eyes.

Jesus prayer Jn 17: 20-26

I'm praying not only for them
But also for those who will believe in me
Because of them and their witness about
me.

The goal is for all of them to become one
heart and mind— Just as you, Father, are
in me and I in you, So they might be one
heart and mind with us. Then the world
might believe that you, in fact, sent me.

The same glory you gave me, I gave them,
So they'll be as unified and together as we
are— I in them and you in me.

Then they'll be mature in this oneness,
And give the godless world evidence
That you've sent me and loved them
In the same way you've loved me.

Father, I want those you gave me
To be with me, right where I am,
So they can see my glory, the splendor
you gave me,
Having loved me long before there ever
was a world.

Righteous Father, the world has never
known you, But I have known you, and
these disciples know That you sent me on
this mission.

I have made your very being known to
them— Who you are and what you do—
And continue to make it known, So that
your love for me Might be in them Exactly
as I am in them

AMEN

Then in a little while after this prayer

Jesus is arrested... Jn 18: 1-9 Jesus looks into the Eyes of Judas... Jesus seeing the evil of
men in the darkness... coming for Him... knowing what lies ahead... All this is allowed by
God Almighty... and yes for this... there will be a day of reckoning ... Sunday's Coming ! ...

Jesus is bound before the High Priest... Jn 18: 12-14 & 19-24 Jesus looks into the very Eyes
of wickedness... the very ones whom he had called vipers!! The Eyes of those who plotted
and schemed **are now the author of his torture and death**... THE CHRIST is bound before
them... All this is allowed by God Almighty! And for this... there will be a day of reckoning ...

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Jesus is Denied by Peter Jn 18: 15-18 & 25-26 Jesus had foretold Peter of this denial, ... the same Peter that Jesus said: *"Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.* Mt. 16:18... All this is allowed by Almighty God... and for this... there will be a day of reckoning ... Sunday's Coming !

Jesus is before Pilate... Jn 18: 28-40 Cowardly Pilate... finding no wrong in Jesus, (but there is a great wrong in his own character) Pilate appeals to the crowd to keep peace and for the Passover offers a solution... Pilate says "King of the Jew's" or "Barabbas" as if this would be a choice... to a mob led by the very ones who plotted Jesus arrest and brings Jesus before Pilate!! All this is allowed by God Almighty... for this... there will be a day of reckoning ... Sunday's Coming !

Jesus is Flogged & Sentenced ... Jn 19: 1-16 Jesus flogged with 30 lashes... really who's counting?? **A Crown of THORNS is pushed down on the SAVIORS** brow... a Purple Robe placed upon his torn flesh... All this is allowed by God Almighty... for this... there will be a day of reckoning ... Sunday's Coming !

Jesus is Crucified ... Jn 19: 17-24 Jesus, His torn... bleeding body made to Carry His own Cross... then without pity nailed to the cross... first his hands, then his feet... They even took the clothes off his body, casting lots for them.... **Jesus, his tortured body exposed to the Hot SUN...** But Sunday's Coming ! All this is allowed by God Almighty... for this... there will be a day of reckoning ... But Sunday's Coming !

Jesus is Dead ... Jn 19: 28-37 *"It is Finished" Jesus said... Then bowing His head, He gave up His Spirit" ... The Soldiers:* Knowing he was already dead; they pierce the side of Christ with a Spear... All this is allowed by God Almighty... for this... there will be a day of reckoning Sunday's Coming !

The Burial of Jesus... Jn 19: 28-42 After all this, Joseph of Arimathea *(a disciple of Jesus, but secretly, because he was intimidated by the Jews)* Was given permission by **Pilate** to take the body of Jesus. Nicodemus, who had first come to Jesus at night, comes now in broad daylight carrying a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about seventy-five pounds.

They take Jesus' body ... following the burial custom, wrap Jesus in linen with the spices. There was a garden near the place he was crucified, and in the garden a new tomb they placed Jesus in it and covered it with a stone... All this is allowed by God Almighty... for this... there will be a day of reckoning ... Sunday's Coming ! **John 20: 3-9**

It is SUNDAY!! Sunday's Morning ! The TOMB is empty... All this is in the POWER OF GOD ALMIGHTY FOR there will be a day of reckoning ... Jesus is COMING... Jesus is RETURNING not as the slaughtered sacrificial lamb... OH NO!!

There is another SUNDAY COMING ...

Revelation 1:7-8 *"Look, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and all the peoples of the earth will mourn because of him. So shall it be! Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega", says the Lord God, "who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty."*

Revelation 22:12-13 *Behold, I am coming soon!*
*My reward is with me, and **I will give to everyone according to what he has done.** I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.*

Jesus is COMING... He is RETURNING