April 3, 2022

Delivered Up (Easter Series) Appointed – Matthew 26:17-40

All of the Gospels report the events of the Passion Week. Each Gospel emphasizes a different aspect of the events. Matthew's emphasis can be summarized with the word 'appointed.' It is Matthew reminding his readers that everything which happens, happens in accordance with God's appointed plan. People in Jerusalem during the Passion Week who witness the events take place, may mistakenly view them as a series of random disjointed events. Jesus being in the wrong place at the wrong time. Nothing could be further from the truth. Jesus and the events that occur are fulfilling God's appointed purpose.

Additional Verses:

Exodus 12 Isaiah 53 Jeremiah 31:31-34 Matthew 1:21 Hebrews 9:11-15,10:1-10

Outline:

1. Jesus' appointed time.

2. Jesus' appointed betrayal.

3. Jesus' appointed death.

Study Questions:

1. How is the Passover meal similar to the Lord's Supper? Why do believers not celebrate the Passover now?

2. Is Judas the only who betrayed Jesus? What does the disciples' question reveal about their hearts? Does it say the same about yours?

3. Why was there no mention of blood in Jeremiah 31:31-34? How then was the New Covenant sealed? What are the differences of the blood of the Old Covenant and the New Covenant found in Hebrews 9:11-15 and 10:1-4?

4. How does the Lord's Supper reaffirm Jesus' mission? See Matthew 1:21 and John 1:29.

5. How is the Holy Spirit leading you to respond to God today?