Journey towards the Cross

Topic:
God keeps His word to the end.

Bible portion:
Joshua 21:45

Focus:
The Promised Land: God keeps His Word.

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A daily devotional for lent season

40-Day Gospel Reading Plan

Bible Readings for Today

Mark 9-11

Have you Read your Bible today?

Memory Verse for the day

For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Mark 10:45 (ESV)

Quote

"God assumes full responsibility for the life wholly devoted to Him."

- Charles Stanley

Introduction

History often feels confusing and full of broken promises. Because of this, people feel lost and unsettled inside. After the peace of Eden was broken, humanity has been searching for a true "home," but it always seems far away.

This series, "Journey Towards the Cross," follows the Bible story from Creation to the Resurrection. It shows that God always keeps His promises. As written in the Book of *Joshua 21:45 "Not one of all the good promises the Lord gave to Israel failed; every one was fulfilled."*

I. The First Word: Creation, Rest, and the Fall

In the beginning, God created the world and everything in it. He made humans to live under His rule and to care for creation. They lived in peace with Him.

But when sin entered, that rest was broken. Humanity was no longer at home in God's creation. Even then, God gave hope. In Genesis 3:15, He promised that one day a child would defeat the serpent, and evil would not win forever.

II. The Teaching Word: Lent as a Heart Wilderness

Lent is like a spiritual desert. It reminds us of the 40 years Israel spent in the wilderness.

In the wilderness, people cannot hide behind comfort. They learn that they need God completely. It is also the place where God speaks to the heart (Hosea 2:14). When normal com-forts are removed, God's presence becomes clearer.

III. The Final Word: The Cross, Resurrection, and the New Adam

The journey to the Cross is not a tragedy but the greatest act of salvation.

Adam disobeyed God and brought sin and death into

human life. But Jesus came as the "New Adam." Where Adam failed, Jesus obeyed. Through His Resurrection, He restores what was broken and gives new life to humanity.

IV. Disciplines for the Path of Redemption

This message is not only to understand but also to practice. These spiritual habits help heal the heart and fight sin.

1. The Discipline of the Word — Fixing the Mind

To trust God's promises, we must know His Word. A daily Bible reading plan for 40 days is helpful — especially reading the Gospels or Psalms about God's rest.

2. The Discipline of Empty Space — Fasting and Technology

Fasting means making space for God. Reducing social media, TV, or phone use helps us focus on God and family. This also reveals the hidden things we depend on too much.

3. The Discipline of the Secret Heart — Prayer

Prayer is regular communication with God. The daily Examen (reviewing the day) helps us see where God was faithful and strengthens our faith for tomorrow.

Conclusion

We live between Jesus' first coming and His return. This is a time to reflect on our lives and ask where God is leading us. The Resurrection is the foundation of our faith.Waiting is not wasted time. God's

goodness is actively working for us. The rest promised long ago is now fulfilled in Jesus. God kept His Word. God keeps His Word. God will keep His Word forever.

Prayer:

Heavenly Father, thank You because You always keep Your promises. When we feel lost, remind us that our true home is in You. Help us trust You in the quiet times, the waiting times, and the difficult times. Teach us to read Your Word, to pray, and to live close to You each day. Thank You for Jesus, whose Cross and Resurrection give us hope that never fails. Strengthen our faith and lead us on Your path until the end. In Jesus' name. **Amen.**

-Rev. D. Daniel

Prayer Point

Pray for the differently-abled.