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A 7 Day Fast Preceding the Resurrection of Christ

DAY THREE, TUESDAY



TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

John 16:33 “...I have spoken...that in me you might have peace...”

These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

THOUGHTS

On Day three of this most Holy week, we want you to contemplate a few things:

Throughout the Gospel Jesus referenced "the hour". Jesus' earliest reference to "the hour" preceded his first miracle at the wedding in Cana of Galilee. (John 2:4). When Jesus' mother voiced her concern to him that the wine ran out at the marriage celebration, Jesus responded with what appeared to be a non-responsive answer. For the first time we are introduced to "the hour" with Jesus' response to his mother - "...mine hour is not yet come." Continuously, Jesus, or the Gospel writer, establishes the status of "the hour". It's either "it's not time"; it's too soon"; "not yet" (John 7:30); until finally the "hour" unfolds. (John 12:23; Luke 22:14). Jesus

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identifies the hour: "...the hour is come that the Son of man should be glorified."
(John 12:23).

Jesus warns the disciples that some crazy stuff is going to happen to them (John 16:1-3). Jesus told the disciples not to be offended or dismayed by the actions of the world because he has overcome the world.

The compassion and love Jesus exhibited for the disciples is the same love and compassion Jesus has for us today. *God has spoken* the promise of peace! In spite of what's going on in your life, God wants you to inhabit your place of victory.

TODAY'S PRAYER

*Father, we thank you for speaking peace into our lives. Teach us how to cherish the promise of peace you have bestowed upon us. We will strive to walk cheerfully and without fear or doubt. We acknowledge that you and you alone are worthy of all praise, glory, and honor. You alone O Lord, have overcome this world and because you have overcome, we have overcome. We accept our position as **overcomers** and will walk victoriously no matter what comes our way. In the blessed name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.*

TODAY'S SONG

Marvin Sapp "He has his hands on You" http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m1WQlipTwRQ#aid=P-Af_JVL-k8