

## **AD Pt 8- Drink This Cup**

**17 Now Jesus was going up to Jerusalem. On the way, he took the Twelve aside and said to them, 18 “We are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the teachers of the law. They will condemn him to death 19 and will hand him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified. On the third day he will be raised to life!” Matthew 20:17**

The suffering and death of Jesus were not random chance or at the instigation of any man, they were planned in advance by God and carried out in person by Jesus.

**20 Then the mother of Zebedee’s sons came to Jesus with her sons and, kneeling down, asked a favor of him. 21 “What is it you want?” he asked. She said, “Grant that one of these two sons of mine may sit at your right and the other at your left in your kingdom.” Matthew 20:20-21**

**28 Jesus said to them, “Truly I tell you, at the renewal of all things, when the Son of Man sits on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. 29 And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or fields for my sake will receive a hundred times as much and will inherit eternal life. 30 But many who are first will be last, and many who are last will be first. Matthew 19:28**

Greatness in the kingdom of God can never be asked for, or achieved by humans means and effort.

When everyone looks only to their own interests, listening stops, anger is increased and morality deteriorates.

**5 Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. 6 The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. 7 The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God’s law, nor can it do so. 8 Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God. Romans 8:5-8**

**22 “You don’t know what you are asking,” Jesus said to them. “Can you drink the cup I am going to drink?” Matthew 20:22a**

**“We can,” they answered. Matthew 20:22b**

***“My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will.” Matthew 26:39***

***23 Jesus said to them, “You will indeed drink from my cup, but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared by my Father.” Matthew 20:23***

***24 When the ten heard about this, they were indignant with the two brothers. Matthew 20:24***

***25 Jesus called them together and said, “You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. 26 Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, 27 and whoever wants to be first must be your slave— 28 just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.” Matthew 20:17-28***

**In Jesus’ Kingdom, a true leader is on the bottom supporting and working hard toward the goals of everyone else.**

**The truly great on the kingdom of God are those who are completely sold out to the will of the Father.**

**Jesus did not just die to give us an example for others, he died as the ransom price for us.**

***9 Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. 10 Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Romans 12:9-10 ESV***