# ANTICIPATING THE POWER OF RESURRECTION

Luke 24:1-53

# Saturday, 8 April 2023

The resurrection of Jesus proved that the Bible is true. Many prophecies in the Bible were fulfilled and many are still being fulfilled today. But there would be no Easter without Good Friday.

The disciples were hopeless and lost during the Good Friday period but were resurrected in power from above after the resurrection of Jesus. They were fully convicted by the truth and were witnesses for Jesus wherever they went. It was all recorded in the book of Acts.

The promise of the gift of the Holy Spirit to the early disciples was fulfilled in the book of Acts. It is still available for all of us today. We can be clothed with the resurrection power from above and be the witness for God for this new season - the end time harvest!

## Reflections

- Would you like to experience the resurrection power of Jesus in your life? If yes, tell Jesus about it. He is ever ready to give you the power.
- 2. If you do, how willing and ready are you to be His witness in every area of your life? What are the steps you can take to prepare yourself?

### Pravers

Pray for the willingness and readiness to fully live and obey God's will and His leading for our lives. Ask for a devoted heart and fresh anointing to be His witness wherever He puts us.





# 3 Days EASTER Prayer & Fasting Thursday 6th - Saturday 8th APRIL 2023

It is that time of the year where we ponder and reflect on the true meaning of Good Friday and Easter. Without the cross, there will be no resurrection and victory over the enemy.

However, Good Friday has a series of chaotic and unpleasant events leading to it. For this, we have prepared a simple three days of Fasting and Prayer Reflectional Guide to prepare you. We hope as you reflect, you will have a fresh revelation of true meaning of the cross.

We pray also that you will experience the presence, the power, and blessings of God in an extraordinary way too. We pray that your hearts will be open to His leading and that you will see many breakthroughs and victories. May you get closer to God more than ever as you seek Him over the next three days.

In these three days, the church would also like to stand with you in prayers. You can follow the links below to submit your prayer(s) and a link for the general guide and information about fasting and prayer.

You can submit your prayer(s) and testimonies here: https://metrotab.org/pray/



For more general guide and information about fasting and prayer, head here: https://metrotab.org/prayer-fasting-guide/



# THE ARREST OF JESUS

Luke 22:1-6, 39-65 Luke 23:1-25

# Thursday, 6 April 2023

Good Friday started with the dramatic events in Gethsemane where Jesus was betrayed, arrested and tried before Pilate, the Roman Governor, and the religious leaders. The disciples of Jesus fled the scene except for Peter who later denied Him. Maybe they were too fearful or not ready to face the same fate as their Master Jesus. In other words, they had not fully grasped of the purpose and significance of His suffering even though Jesus had prepared them for it.

We face many challenges, pressures, persecution, betrayal and false accusations in our Christian walk. God has never promised us a smooth path but He has assured us of His faithfulness and presence.

### Reflections

- 1. When persecution or challenges are too overwhelming, do you think you are able to stand and face it? If yes, what have you done to stand strong? If no, what can you do?
- 2. When things do not go well, would you doubt and deny Jesus and walk out of your faith and calling? If yes, what can you do to strengthen your faith? If no, how can you sustain yourself against the onslaught?

### Pravers

Ask God for forgiveness for our unbelief, for an understanding of God's Word and revelation, an increased faith to believe, and strength to stand against all challenges and trials in our lives.



# THE CRUCIFIXION OF JESUS

Luke 23:26-56

Friday, 7 April 2023

Jesus was willing to suffer and die by crucifixion as the ultimate sacrifice for our sins. Crucifixion was one of the most brutal death penalties ever recorded in

At the crucifixion site, there were different groups of people – the religious leaders, the soldiers, the two robbers, the many women, the passers-by, the multitudes and one of the disciples. There was no mention of the presence of other disciples there, who were the closest to Him.

We will never know what was passing through the minds of each group of people. Some were probably saddened and lost, some were rejoicing and in a celebrative mood, some were not even affected by what was happening, and the list goes on. It was indeed a mixed multitude there.

### Reflections

- 1. If you had been there, how would the death of Jesus have affected you?
- 2. When all seems lost and hopeless, would you still be able to cling on to God's promises and continue to press on? Yes/No, because:

### Pravers

Ask God for a fresh revelation of the true meaning of Good Friday and be fully convicted of His death for our sins. Ask Him for a hatred for sins and worldly pleasure, seek forgiveness and repent of our sins.

