

Signs

The Coming Showdown

John 11:45-57

Last Week: “How Big Is Your Jesus?”

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The Path To Life

The Sanhedrin Meets

The Root Of The Showdown

Wrestling With Fear

1) _____ Can Be _____ To _____.

Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go. Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful. Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go. (Joshua 1:7-9)

2) _____ Can _____ Us To A _____.

. . . the religious leaders of Jesus' day expected a nice, easy-to-understand Messiah who could defeat the Roman power and lead Israel to political independence. A weak, suffering, and crucified Messiah made no sense to them. Those looking at Jesus as he was dying on the cross had no idea that they were looking at the greatest act of salvation in history. Could the observance of the crucifixion "clearly perceive" the ways of God? No—even though they were looking right at a wonder of grace.

(Timothy Keller, *Walking With God Through Pain And Suffering*)

It's helpful for us to spend time before the Lord and be honest about what's deep in our hearts. . . . By the power of God in us, we examine that root and bring it to Jesus and flow Scripture over it and through it. We immerse ourselves in the goodness and greatness of God, and let Jesus shine his light on that root.

(Louie Giglio, *Goliath Must Fall*)