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Twenty-two Events Leading to the Last Week in Jesus' Earthly Ministry Matthew 16:1-24:34

Introduction

The focus of these last events leading up to Passion Week was Jesus' announcement of his coming death, burial, and resurrection. It is clear that the Gospels all consider the cross as the capstone of Jesus' earthly ministry. During these twenty-one events Jesus predicted his approaching death three times. These events take off from the declaration of faith at Caesarea Philippi to the healing of two blind men on his way to Jerusalem. This same section in Luke's Gospel contains a different selection of events some of which are and some which are not in Matthew's account read and compare Luke 9:21 - 18:43. See the same period also from Mark's point of view in Mark 8:11 - 10:52 and John's point of view found in John 8:21 - 11:57.

1. Matt 16:1-4 - The Sign of the Pharisees
2. Matt 16:5-13 - The Leaven of the Pharisees
3. Matt 16:14-20 - "Who do You say I am?"
4. **Matt 16:21-23 - Jesus Predicts His Death First Time**
5. Matt 16:24-27 - Take Up Your Own Cross
6. Matt 16:28-17:13 - The Transfiguration
7. Matt 17:14-21 - The Boy Who Couldn't Be Healed
8. **Matt 17:22-23 - Jesus Predicts His Death Second Time**
9. Matt 17:24-27 - Render to Caesar and to God
10. Matt 18:1-14 - Who is the Greatest?
11. Matt 18:10-14 - The Parable of the lost sheep
12. Matt 18:15-20 - When a Brother Sins
13. Matt 18:21-35 - Parable of Unforgiving Servant
14. Matt 19:1-10 - On Marriage and Divorce
15. 19:11-12 - The Gift of Celibacy
16. 19:13-15 - Jesus Blesses Children
17. 19:16-22 - Jesus Instructs the Rich Young Ruler
18. 19:23-30 - All is Possible
19. Matt 20:1-16 - Parable of the Vineyard Workers
20. **Matt 20:17-19 - Jesus Predicts His death Third Time**
21. Matt 20:20-28 - The Key to Greatness
22. Matt 20:29-34 - Healing Two Blind Men