

Provisions for the Worn Out: Part 6a

Sunset Avenue Church of God

November 15, 2020

Discussion Question: What do you do when you come to a crossroad in your life? Describe the most troubling crossroad you have ever faced.

Daniel 7:25 “And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High...” [KJV]

REVIEW:

The enemy of our soul desires to wear us out.

1. **Questions**
2. **Quaking** (Fear)
3. **Quarreling**
4. **Qualms** (doubts & misgivings)
5. **Quamped** (Disappointed, failure to satisfy the hope, desire & expectation of)

TODAY: Provision for Quadrivium

Quadrivium

- It is used in liberal arts education consisting of four subjects (arithmetic, geometry, music & astronomy)
- Imply the meeting of four ways.
- A Latin word for a crossroad, literally a place where four roads meet.

For most people when you speak of a crossroad it is considered a crucial point in one's life. It is a place where vital decisions are made. It may be a place of multiple opportunities.

They can be major points of stress because we are afraid of making the wrong decision. The What If question always pops up. What if I choose the wrong direction? Make wrong decision?

Satan is very shrewd because he plays on our desires to get our minds off the direction of the Holy Spirit that is our guide. I believe that the scheme of Satan is to tempt us at crossroads in our lives to get us to compromise. After the compromise we change course and are no longer on the straight and narrow.

At the quadrivium put you in a quandary! He wants to make every crossroad chaotic!

Luke 24:12 & following

I want to walk us through a narrative. A narrative that plays itself out over and over in humanity.

a. **Filled with Wonder**

Luke 24:12 “*Then arose Peter, and ran unto the sepulchre; and stooping down, he beheld the linen clothes laid by themselves, and departed, wondering in himself at that which was come to pass.*”

b. Emmaus –place that is familiar

Verse 13 *"And, behold, two of them went that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem about threescore furlongs."*

Emmaus means warm spring

c. Galilee – Follow Christ Command

Matt 28:8-10 *"And they departed quickly from the sepulchre with fear and great joy; and did run to bring his disciples word. 9 And as they went to tell his disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, All hail. And they came and held him by the feet, and worshipped him. 10 Then said Jesus unto them, Be not afraid: go tell my brethren that they go into Galilee, and there shall they see me."* [KJV]

d. Lost Faith

Verse 14 *"And they talked together of all these things which had happened."*

Communing about what could have; should have been

Verse 21 *"But we trusted that it had been he which should have redeemed Israel: and beside all this, to day is the third day since these things were done."*

e. Yet Jesus Finds them – HE still drew near!

Verse 15 *"And it came to pass, that, while they communed together and reasoned, Jesus himself drew near, and went with them. 16 But their eyes were holden that they should not know him."*

f. Peace to fear filled lives

John 20:19 *"On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!"* [NIV]

Luke 24:30-36 *"And it came to pass, as he sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed it, and brake, and gave to them. And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight. 32 And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures? 33 And they rose up the same hour, and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and them that were with them, 34 Saying, The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared to Simon. 35 And they told what things were done in the way, and how he was known of them in breaking of bread. 36 And as they thus spake, Jesus himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you."* [KJV]

At the crossroads of life, stop and break bread with Jesus!

When we are led by the Holy Spirit, HE does not bring us to a crossroad to confuse us!
Rather the crossroad is just a temporary test to show us HIS purpose and plans!