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PEACE THROUGH PERIL
Mark 13:1-13

- It's Wednesday of Passion Week.
- Thursday nite would bel. the Lord's table
- Jesus Christ is leaving the temple for the last time of his 33rd year earthly life.
- Then it happens - a question. v.4 The answer Christ gives is THE KEY, THE SECRET, THE ANSWER.
- How to have peace through peril.
- How to triumph thru Christ over life's hard times.

PEACE THROUGH PERIL

Jesus Christ warns of four detractors of HIS PEACE -
Four enemies to having HIS TRIUMPH.

Look at the text 13:1-13

1. v.1-4 Beware of Distraction
2. v.5-6 " " Deception
3. v.7-8 " " Depression
4. v.9-13 " " Defection

Let's read these verses...

In v.1-4, Jesus Christ said WATCH OUT, BEWARE OF...

I. RELIGIOUS DISTRACTION - Wrong FOCUS [departure from spiritual worship] on earthly religion, buildings, monuments, holy places, signs, etc.

REMEDY FOR DISTRACTION

- A. Invest in people, use facilities... I Thess. 2:19
- B. Build ministry not monuments... I Thess. 2:9-12

Humanity easier to rally around building more than ministry.

----- TEMPLE CARD -----

> At this Thanksgiving to God
At this celebration of Christ's death

- Are you distracted from true spiritual worship?
- Do you focus on earthly religion or heavenly worship?
- Are you into ceremony or the supernatural?

Jesus Christ says - Beware of distraction

SECONDLY, v.5-6. Jesus Christ says watch out, beware of

II. RELIGIOUS DECEPTION - V.5-6

Wrong source - DEPARTURE FROM THE WORD OF GOD
Word of God, eternal truth - following charismatic personalities.

REMEDY FOR DECEPTION

- A. Know the Word... John 8
- B. Test for truths... I Thess. 5
- C. Follow only as long as they follow Christ. I John 2:19

----- "Hitler" & "Religious Deception" card -----