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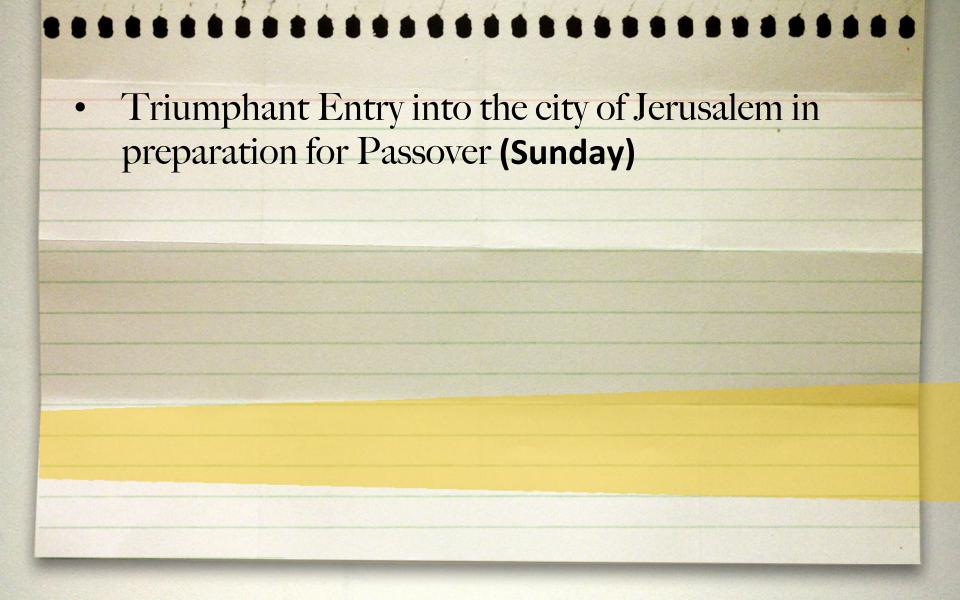
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...give your attention to what I am saying because...

it's true...

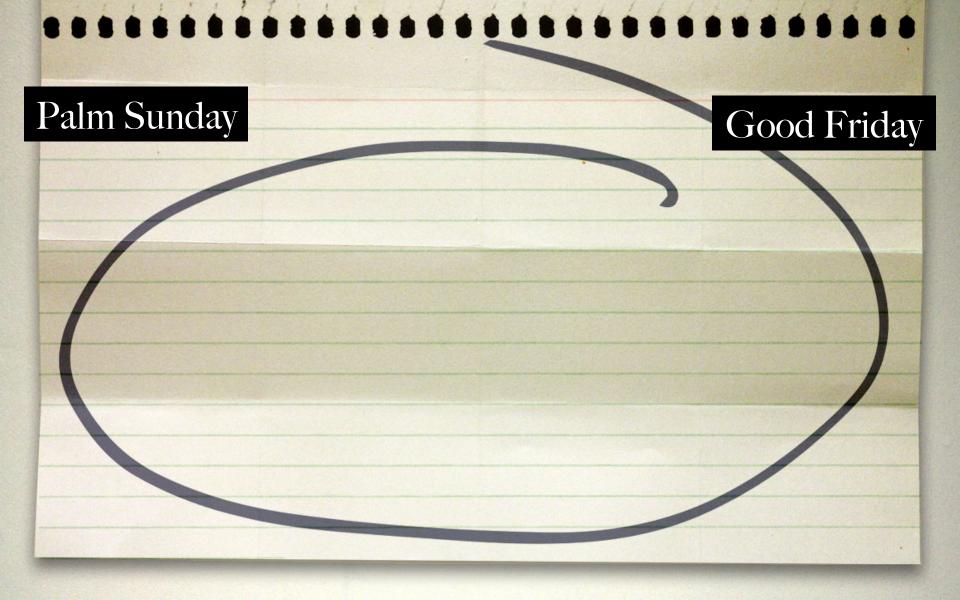
and it's important...



<u>Q:</u>

...do we

have ears to hear it?...



Palm Sunday

Good Friday

5 profound <u>parables</u> that reveal, conceal, confuse, and encourage the people concerning the kingdom of God

Parable

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a tool of speech, a type of story, utilized by Jesus at various points in His ministry that is intended to reveal <u>a singular truth</u>.

"The major theme in Jesus parables is the demand of following Him in authentic discipleship."

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The Parable of the The Landlord vs. The Tenants

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Matthew 21: 33-46

Ken (the landlord)

VS.

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Chicago, 2011

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April 18th – Court Appearance #3, Jack's lawyer asks to be able to assemble a Jury. 107 days.

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<u>August 17th</u> – Court Appearance #5, the facts are finally heard. Jack is court-ordered to move out within two weeks. 228 days.

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October 2nd – The sheriff forcibly removes Jack. Ken finally takes repossession of his own property. 274 days. 33 Hear another parable. There was a a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence around it and dug a winepress in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and when into another another, and stoned another. 36 Again he sent other servants, more than the first And they did the same to them.

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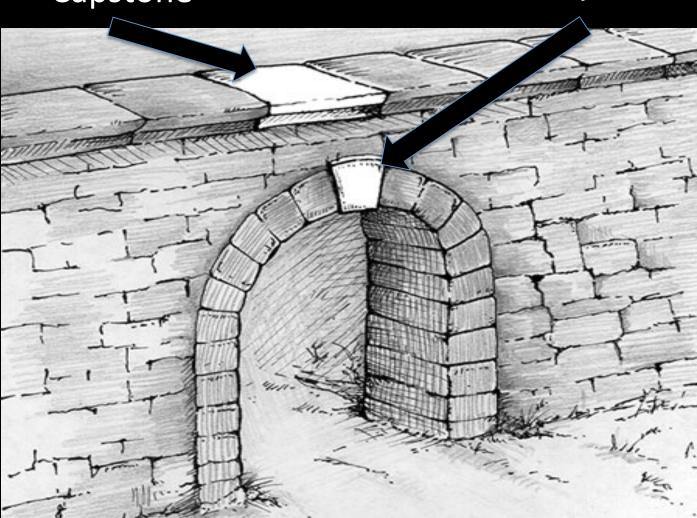
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6 6 Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the Scriptures:

The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone, this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes?

Capstone

Keystone









43 Therefore, I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruit. 44 And the one who falls on this stone will be broken to about them. 46 And although they were seeking to arrest him, they feared the crowds, because they held him to be a prophet.

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When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard His parables, they perceived that He was speaking about them. 46 And although they were seeking to arrest him, they feared the crowds, because they held him to be a prophet.

...the people of the 'kingdom' are the ones who produce the fruit of the 'kingdom' that reflects the nature and character of God...

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...the Spirit of the 'kingdom' is the one who can produce the fruit of the 'kingdom' in us and through us...

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The Fruit of Righteousness...

Philippians 1:9-11

9 And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, 10 so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, II filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

The Fruit of Light...

Ephesians 5:7-11

- 7 Therefore do not become partners with them;
- 8 for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light
- of (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), io and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. If Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them.

The Fruit of the Spirit...

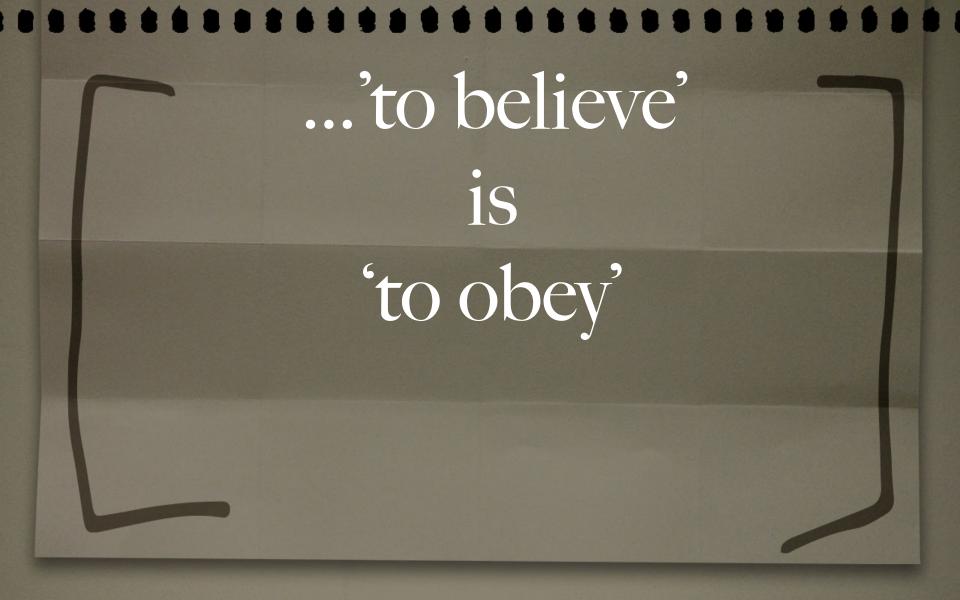
Galatians 5:16-24

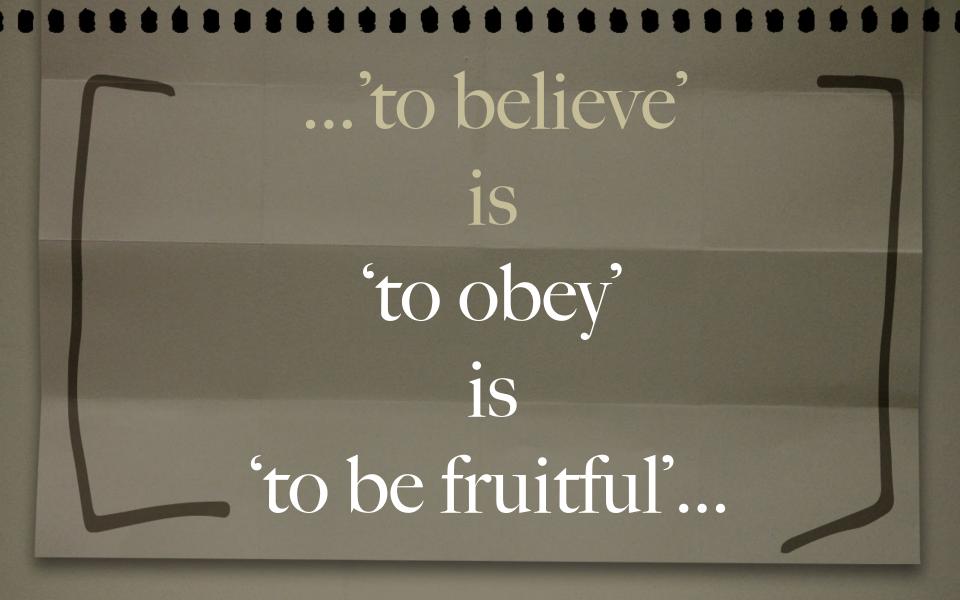
16 But I say walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. 17 For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. 18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, 20 idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, 21 envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. 24 And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. 25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit. 26 Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

Our fruitfulness is not a burden but a substantive response to the call that God has on our lives and His desire to empower us with His indwelling Spirit to produce the fruit of His kingdom.





'to be faithful' in God's Kingdom through the power of His Spirit to produce fruit in our lives...

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So what?... Therefore?... Two questions we have to ask ourselves....

What kind of 'Tenant' are you?

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Am you willing to allow the Spirit to fill you and empower you to live as a 'fruitful/faithful tenant' of Christ's Kingdom?

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