

Mt.12.14-16 "The Servant of God"
Matthew Series: 'THE KING IS COMING' #166
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INTRODUCTION:

"A man convinced against his will is of the same opinion still."

Why did the Religious leaders & Herodians hate the Lord Jesus Christ so much?

- Jesus was **H**_____, & they were not;
- He was **G**_____, & they were not;
- He was exercising a true **A**_____ from God, & they were not.

*The truly righteous are the truly influential.

Was Jesus forced to withdraw? _____

JESUS C_____ **TO GOD'S PLAN** vv.15-17

Jesus was never forced away from a place of ministry, but always withdrew of His **O**____ **V**_____.

The Father's plan was not to shed Roman blood but His Son's blood,

... because only His Son's blood;

- ❖ could **A**_____ for the sins of mankind &
- ❖ open the way to heaven.

Jesus:

- ❖ had the true heart of a **S**_____, &
- ❖ He was **S**_____ to His Father &
- ❖ He was **S**_____ - **M**_____ - wholly given to redeeming a lost world.

Jesus' miracles of healing demonstrated:

... His divine **P**_____,

... His divine **L**_____

He healed in order to **R**_____ the loving heart of God.

Jesus always had **T**_____ for those who were suffering & in need.

Christ feels:

- the **P**_____ that hurts us &
- the **W**_____ of burdens that grind us down; &
- in His gracious lovingkindness He
 - ✓ heals our hurts &
 - ✓ lifts our burdens.

- ❖ Although He had great compassion for the physical afflictions of the people, Jesus' primary work was to save **S**_____, not bodies.

Jesus did not want His power to be too highly acclaimed – because it was not the **T**_____.

CONCLUSION:

Matthew assures His readers that Jesus is indeed the **M**_____, just as foretold by **Isaiah the prophet**.

NEXT WEEK: "The Hope of the Nations"

Matthew 12.18-21 is a modified quotation of Is.42.1-4 - one of the most strikingly beautiful descriptions of Jesus Christ anywhere in Scripture.