

Memorize & Ponder

Feb 21, 2016

Memorize & Ponder Text – Luke 13:35b

(Full Reading – Luke 13:31-35)

Week of Feb14 - 21, 2016

Sources of Desolation

Luke 13:35b (NRSV)

And I tell you, you will not see me
until the time comes when you say,
'Blessed is the one who comes
in the name of the Lord.'

*Throughout the Christian year of 2016, until Advent, we will be focusing on the theme of 'Following Jesus in a Fearful and Divided World.' Our Scripture readings and Memorize & Ponder texts will be taken from the Gospels of Luke and John. We invite you to **listen** for what the Spirit is saying in the text, then **question** how those insights might change the ways you see things and act in the world. Share your thoughts during the week on the meaning the Spirit creates for you in this text by posting a comment on our website – www.brentwoodpc.ca.*

Ponderings for Daily Theologians

Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us provoke one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together ... (Hebrews 10:23-25a)

A Word for Daily Theologians = Blessed

How do we receive Jesus,
the One who comes in the name of the Lord?

Do we feel blessed?

Or outraged?

Or indifferent?

Or just a little bit curious?

Or mildly interested?

Or a little uncomfortable?

Maybe all of the above, in varying degrees?

Jesus was under no illusions
about how his life and message
was being received in a desolated Jerusalem.
They did not want to face God's reality.
If being 'blessed' meant following Jesus,
the powers that were wanted none of it.

And how about us?

How can we face our own desolation
and allow God to transform our lives in Christ?

Gratitude for Grace Noticed this Week

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