Jesus' Words to Survivors Sunday, April 18, 2020

Introduction: Hoping to Survive

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John 5:5-9, 14

Luke 13:1-5

Luke 12:58-59

John 5:21-29

Matthew 16:26 (Mark 8:36; Luke 9:25) What does it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul?

Three ways in which our temporary need for survival should highlight our need for something more than temporary survival:

- 1. Covid-19 has highlighted our lack of knowledge. But discovering new knowledge about one novel virus won't make up for our deep lack of knowledge, especially spiritual knowledge.
- 2. Covid-19 has highlighted our lack of preparation. But becoming more prepared for the next pandemic won't prepare us for the spiritual danger awaiting us.

1 Thes. 1:10

3. Covid-19 has highlighted our lack of power to stop something dangerous. But gaining new power over this coronavirus, or the next one, won't give us power over sin, death, and judgment.

Romans 1:4, 16; 1 Cor. 1:18, 6:14

Luke 13:5 with John 3:16

Matthew. 28:19-20; Ephesians 1:19-21

The Right Response

Luke 13:5

Repent and Be Saved

- 1. Saved from what?
- 2. Saved by whom?
 - a. We must save ourselves.
 - b. We need God eternally.
 - c. We need God temporarily.