

INTRODUCTION

1. Lk 24:44-49 summary of Jesus' instruction over 40 days [A 1:3]. Crucially important: graduate course to prepare apostles for NCov ministry.
2. Satan uses Script - [Lk 4]: *Indeed, has God said?* How sobering! We handle *God's* words concerning Jesus - focal point of time & eternity. v44

1st: Jesus Reminds the Apostles of His Teaching Ministry

1. *Now He said to them* = content of instruction tw/ res & ascension - 40 days
2. *while I was still w/ you* - [Jn 13-17] => pre-Calvary ministry. That mode of Jesus *being w/ discs* has concluded. He will be w/ them in person of HS.
3. *These are My words wh/ I spoke to you* - All Jesus teachings find meaning in His resurrection. Now, post-resurrection: more words.

2nd: Jesus Roots His Ministry in the Old Testament

1. *He said to them* = post-res words. What words are *These are My words*?
2. that all thgs written. Jesus taught that what He taught them before His res, were thgs already rev'd in OT.
 - i. Words of OT = Jesus' words wh/ continue verbal revelation wh/ is then continued by apostles, given to us as Script [1C 14:37; 1Pt 4:11; Rv 19:10; Rv 22:18-19]. Who is the Speaker in Scripture? Jesus.
3. Jesus aligned w/ what was *written* = OT [15x in Lk - *it is written* [OT].
 - i. 9x in Mat; 7x in Mrk & 14x in Jn [Jn 5:39] & 7x in Acts
 - ii. 16 OT citations in Rms - Why NT apostles constantly citing OT? Taught by the res'd Christ & HS - A 24:14
4. Hebrew OT = Tanakh: 3 divisions - T: Torah [Law]; N: Nev'im [Prophets]; K: Ketuvim [Writings includes Pss]. Also called Mikra = "readings".
 - i. *Law* = Gen, Ex, Lev, Num, Dt; see Lk 20:37-83
 - ii. *Prophets* = Major & Minor as well as historical [Sam & Chron]; see Jesus preach res from Jonah - 3 days in fish [Hos 6:2]
 - iii. *Writings* = Pss, Prvs, Eccl - Ps 16 preached by Pt in A 2.
 - iv. "To know the OT truly is to know Jesus & to know Jesus, one has to know the OT" [Ryken 680].

3rd: Jesus is Revealed by the Bible

1. Lk 24:27 - *thgs concerning Himself in all the Scripts*.
 - i. *thgs* include specific prophecies as well as typology - Jesus' person & work [v46] as well as international ingathering [v47].
 - ii. Prophecy/promises & typology - Prophecy/promises are given in words; types are depictions - events, persons & institutions.
 - iii. Jesus, glorified w/ His people, is the Bible's antitype.
 - a. Law -Torah - prophet like Moses; Hi priest & sac'al/temple system; PO Lamb - Exodus; wilderness journey to Land.
 - b. Prophets - Jesus' ministry [Isa - all prophets] - Servant of Ld
 - c. Writings - David/Solomon's kingdom; all the covenants
2. Point is Jesis is there in the OT. He is the *I am* - YHWH.

3rd: Jesus' Resurrection is, in Essence, the Fulfillment of the Old Testament

1. *fulfilled* => goal: elevated into its eschat'a'l purpose. There are points of fulfillment along the way thru Redemptive History -> ultimate fulfillment.
2. *must be fulfilled* - divine necessity. cf. v7, v26, v44.
3. Jesus commissions Apostles to preach gospel from the OT, which is what they do in the NT!

Applic #1: Scripture Reveals the Purposes of the Sovereign, Transcendent God

1. Jesus HAD TO live, die & rise b/c Script HAD TO be fulfilled. Divine Decree -> Revelation -> Fulfillment -> Salvation/Glory
2. Modern man hates THIS God. Secularism - one realm of existence. No being outside in a transcendent realm who is sovereign, holy & directs history to His intended goal: Final Judgment. Religious liberalism.

Applic #2: The Word of God Takes Precedence Over Man's Experience

1. CRUCIAL: Script defines experience, not - experience defines Script.
 - i. Pentecost - Peter preaches from OT. 2Pt 1:16-21
2. What is Script? Is it divine revelation, words from the transcendent God.
3. What is the focus, the subject, the message of Script? Jesus.