

THE KERNEL OF WHEAT

John 12:20-36
Key Verse: 12:24

Lesson #34

* GOD'S WISDOM FOR THE GREEKS (20-26)

1. To whom did Jesus give this teaching? (20-22) What do you know about Greeks? About Philip and Andrew? -- 1Co 1:22-24; Jn 6:5-8)
2. What hour had come? (23) What does this mean? What parable did Jesus tell them? How does a kernel of wheat become fruitful? How in is Jesus the best example of this principle? Think of ways in which this principle applies in other areas of life.
3. How is the man who loves his life like the single seed that remains a single seed? How is the one who hates his life like the seed that is planted? Think about this in relation to life of discipleship.
4. What promise does Jesus give to those who follow and serve him? Why must one who serves Jesus also follow him? What does it mean to follow Jesus?

* THE THINGS THAT TROUBLED JESUS (27-36)

5. Why was Jesus' heart troubled? (27) What was his prayer topic, after his struggle? What assurance did God give him? (28)
6. What did Jesus say about his death and its meaning? (30-33) How did the crowd respond? Why? (30-34)
7. Read verses 35-36. What was his final plea to the Jews? What is the consequence of living and walking in the darkness? What does it mean to walk in the light? To be sons of light?