



“WHAT WILL HAPPEN NOW?”

Introduction:

- A. Recent Lessons:
 - 1. “Standing At The Foot Of The Cross.”
 - 2. “Is It Of ME Dear Savior?”
 - 3. Last Sunday: “I Marvel At The Wisdom Of My God!” (A Look At LIFE -- How Precious It Is; In Particular -- The Resurrection Of Jesus.”
- B. Today: “What Will Happen Now?”
- C. All Of Us Face Fearful Situations; How Do You Face Them? How Do You Make It Through Them? How Do You Get “About The Father’s Business?”

I. (Slide #2) The Apostles -- “What Will Happen Now?”

- A. (►) Jesus Prepared His Apostles For His Suffering, Death, Resurrection, And Ascension!
 - 1. At Caesarea Philippi after Jesus asked them who He was and Peter said, “The Christ, the Son of the living God.”
 - a. Mt. 16:21-23 “From that time Jesus began to show to His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem, and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised the third day. ²²Then Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him, saying, ‘Far be it from You, Lord; this shall not happen to You!’ ²³But He turned and said to Peter, ‘Get behind Me, Satan! You are an offense to Me, for you are not mindful of the things of God, but the things of men.’”
 - b. Mk. 8:31 “And He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.”
 - c. Lk. 9:21,22 “And He strictly warned and commanded them to tell this to no one, ²²saying, ‘The Son of Man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised the third day.’”

2. Later, after His Transfiguration and casting the epileptic-causing demon out of the boy:
 - a. Mt. 17:22,23 “Now while they were staying in Galilee, Jesus said to them, ‘The Son of Man is about to be betrayed into the hands of men,²³ and they will kill Him, and the third day He will be raised up.’ And **they were exceedingly sorrowful.**”
 - b. Mk. 9:31,32 “For He taught His disciples and said to them, ‘The Son of Man is being betrayed into the hands of men, and they will kill Him. And after He is killed, He will rise the third day.’³² But **they did not understand this saying, and were afraid to ask Him.**”
3. After His return from Perea, and on His journey to Jerusalem.
 - a. Mt. 20:17-19 “Now Jesus, going up to Jerusalem, took the twelve disciples aside on the road and said to them,¹⁸ ‘Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be betrayed to the chief priests and to the scribes; and they will condemn Him to death,¹⁹ and deliver Him to the Gentiles to mock and to scourge and to crucify. And the third day He will rise again.’”
 - b. Mk. 10:32-34 “Now they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was going before them; and they were amazed. **And as they followed they were afraid.** Then He took the twelve aside again and began to tell them the things that would happen to Him:³³ ‘Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be betrayed to the chief priests and to the scribes; and they will condemn Him to death and deliver Him to the Gentiles;³⁴ and they will mock Him, and scourge Him, and spit on Him, and kill Him. And the third day He will rise again.’”
 - c. Lk. 18:31-34 “Then He took the twelve aside and said to them, ‘Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and all things that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of Man will be accomplished.³² For He will be delivered to the Gentiles and will be mocked and insulted and spit upon.³³ They will scourge *Him* and kill Him. And the third day He will rise again.’³⁴ But they understood none of these things; this saying was hidden from them, and they did not know the things which were spoken.”
4. During the Last Supper:
 - a. Jn. 14:26,27 “But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.²⁷ Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.”
 - b. Jn. 15:11 “These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and *that* your joy may be full.”

- c. Jn. 16:1-28 “These things I have spoken to you, that you should not be made to stumble. ²They will put you out of the synagogues; yes, the time is coming that whoever kills you will think that he offers God service. ³And these things they will do to you because they have not known the Father nor Me. ⁴But these things I have told you, that when the time comes, you may remember that I told you of them. And these things I did not say to you at the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵But now I go away to Him who sent Me, and none of you asks Me, ‘Where are You going?’ ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. ⁷Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you. ⁸And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: ⁹of sin, because they do not believe in Me; ¹⁰of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more; ¹¹of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged. ¹²I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear *them* now. ¹³However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own *authority*, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. ¹⁴He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare *it* to you. ¹⁵All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He will take of Mine and declare *it* to you. ¹⁶A little while, and you will not see Me; and again a little while, and you will see Me, because I go to the Father. ¹⁷Then *some* of His disciples said among themselves, ‘What is this that He says to us, ‘A little while, and you will not see Me; and again a little while, and you will see Me’; and, ‘because I go to the Father’?’ ¹⁸They said therefore, ‘What is this that He says, ‘A little while’? We do not know what He is saying.’ ¹⁹Now Jesus knew that they desired to ask Him, and He said to them, ‘Are you inquiring among yourselves about what I said, ‘A little while, and you will not see Me; and again a little while, and you will see Me’? ²⁰Most assuredly, I say to you that you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice; and you will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will be turned into joy. ²¹A woman, when she is in labor, has sorrow because her hour has come; but as soon as she has given birth to the child, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. ²²Therefore you now have sorrow; but I will see you again and your heart will rejoice, and your joy no one will take from you. ²³And in that day you will ask Me nothing. Most assuredly, I say to you, whatever you ask the Father in My name He will give you. ²⁴Until now you have asked nothing in My name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full. ²⁵These things I have spoken to you in figurative language; but the time is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figurative language, but I will tell you plainly about the Father. ²⁶In that day you will ask in My name, and I do not say to you that I shall pray the Father for you; ²⁷for the Father Himself loves you, because you have loved Me, and have

believed that I came forth from God. ²⁸I came forth from the Father and have come into the world. Again, I leave the world and go to the Father.”

B. (►) Their Response During Crucifixion Week:

1. (►) Before His arrest:

a. Judas went away to betray Him.

1. He was there during the Last Supper.

2. Jesus’ message to him: “Now after the piece of bread, Satan entered him. Then Jesus said to him, ‘What you do, do quickly.’”

²⁸But no one at the table knew for what reason He said this to him.

²⁹For some thought, because Judas had the money box, that Jesus had said to him, ‘Buy *those things* we need for the feast,’ or that he should give something to the poor. ³⁰Having received the piece of bread, he then went out immediately. And it was night.” Jn. 13:27-30

b. Peter boasted of His loyalty to Christ.

1. Mt. 26:31-35 “Then Jesus said to them, ‘All of you will be made to stumble because of Me this night, for it is written: *‘I will strike the Shepherd, And the sheep of the flock will be scattered.’*” ³²But after I have been raised, I will go before you to Galilee.’” ³³Peter answered and said to Him, ‘Even if all are made to stumble because of You, I will never be made to stumble.’” ³⁴Jesus said to him, ‘Assuredly, I say to you that this night, before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times.’” ³⁵Peter said to Him, ‘Even if I have to die with You, I will not deny You!’ And so said all the disciples.”

2. Mk. 14:29-31 “And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. ²⁷Then Jesus said to them, ‘All of you will be made to stumble because of Me this night, for it is written: *‘I will strike the Shepherd, And the sheep will be scattered.’*” ²⁸‘But after I have been raised, I will go before you to Galilee.’” ²⁹Peter said to Him, ‘Even if all are made to stumble, yet I *will not be.*’” ³⁰Jesus said to him, ‘Assuredly, I say to you that today, *even* this night, before the rooster crows twice, you will deny Me three times.’” ³¹But he spoke more vehemently, ‘If I have to die with You, I will not deny You!’ And they all said likewise. ³²Then they came to a place which was named Gethsemane; and He said to His disciples, ‘Sit here while I pray.’” ³³And He took Peter, James, and John with Him, and He began to be troubled and deeply distressed.”

2. (►) At His Arrest:
 - a. Judas betrayed Him.
 1. Mt. 26:47-50 “And while He was still speaking, behold, Judas, one of the twelve, with a great multitude with swords and clubs, came from the chief priests and elders of the people. ⁴⁸Now His betrayer had given them a sign, saying, ‘Whomever I kiss, He is the One; seize Him.’ ⁴⁹Immediately he went up to Jesus and said, ‘Greetings, Rabbi!’ and kissed Him. ⁵⁰But Jesus said to him, ‘Friend, why have you come?’ Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and took Him.”
 2. Mk. 14:43-45 “And immediately, while He was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, with a great multitude with swords and clubs, came from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders. ⁴⁴Now His betrayer had given them a signal, saying, ‘Whomever I kiss, He is the One; seize Him and lead *Him* away safely.’ ⁴⁵As soon as He had come, immediately he went up to Him and said to Him, ‘Rabbi, Rabbi!’ and kissed Him. ⁴⁶Then they laid their hands on Him and took Him.”
 3. Lk. 22:47,48 “And while He was still speaking, behold, a multitude; and he who was called Judas, one of the twelve, went before them and drew near to Jesus to kiss Him. ⁴⁸But Jesus said to him, ‘Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?’”
 4. Jn. 18:2-9 “And Judas, who betrayed Him, also knew the place; for Jesus often met there with His disciples. ³Then Judas, having received a detachment *of troops*, and officers from the chief priests and Pharisees, came there with lanterns, torches, and weapons. ⁴Jesus therefore, knowing all things that would come upon Him, went forward and said to them, ‘Whom are you seeking?’ ⁵They answered Him, ‘Jesus of Nazareth.’ Jesus said to them, ‘I am *He*.’ And Judas, who betrayed Him, also stood with them. ⁶Now when He said to them, ‘I am *He*,’ they drew back and fell to the ground. ⁷Then He asked them again, ‘Whom are you seeking?’ And they said, ‘Jesus of Nazareth.’ ⁸Jesus answered, ‘I have told you that I am *He*. Therefore, if you seek Me, let these go their way,’ ⁹that the saying might be fulfilled which He spoke, ‘Of those whom You gave Me I have lost none.’”
 - b. Peter jumped forward to defend Him!
 1. Mt. 26:51,52 “And suddenly, one of those *who were* with Jesus stretched out *his* hand and drew his sword, struck the servant of the high priest, and cut off his ear. ⁵²But Jesus said to him, ‘Put your sword in its place, for all who take the sword will perish by the sword.’”
 2. Mk. 14:47 “And one of those who stood by drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest, and cut off his ear.”
 3. Lk. 22:50-51 “And one of them struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his right ear. ⁵¹But Jesus answered and said, ‘Permit even this.’ And He touched his ear and healed him.”

4. Jn. 18:10,11 “Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest’s servant, and cut off his right ear. The servant’s name was Malchus. ¹¹So Jesus said to Peter, ‘Put your sword into the sheath. Shall I not drink the cup which My Father has given Me?’”
- c. The Disciples fled from Him!
 1. The soldiers arrested Jesus.
 2. Mt. 26:56 “Then all the disciples forsook Him and fled.”
3. (►) At His Trials:
 - a. Peter denied Him during the trial by Annas -- the High Priest emeritus Jn. 18:13
 1. During this event Peter denied Him the first time.
 2. “And Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so *did* another disciple. Now that disciple was known to the high priest, and went with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest. ¹⁶But Peter stood at the door outside. Then the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out and spoke to her who kept the door, and brought Peter in. ¹⁷Then the servant girl who kept the door said to Peter, ‘You are not also *one* of this Man’s disciples, are you?’ He said, ‘I am not.’” Jn. 18:15-17
 - b. Peter denied Him during the trial by Caiaphas -- the ruling High Priest Jn. 18:24
 1. During this event Peter denied Him two more times.
 2. “Now Simon Peter stood and warmed himself. Therefore they said to him, ‘You are not also *one* of His disciples, are you?’ He denied *it* and said, ‘I am not!’ ²⁶One of the servants of the high priest, a relative *of him* whose ear Peter cut off, said, ‘Did I not see you in the garden with Him?’ ²⁷Peter then denied again; and immediately a rooster crowed.” Jn. 18:25-27
 - c. Judas committed suicide!
 1. Mt. 27:3-10 “Then Judas, His betrayer, seeing that He had been condemned, was remorseful and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, ⁴saying, ‘I have sinned by betraying innocent blood.’ And they said, ‘What *is that* to us? You see *to it!*’ ⁵Then he threw down the pieces of silver in the temple and departed, and went and hanged himself. ⁶But the chief priests took the silver pieces and said, ‘It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, because they are the price of blood.’ ⁷And they consulted together and bought with them the potter’s field, to bury strangers in. ⁸Therefore that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day. ⁹Then was fulfilled what was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet, saying, ‘*And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the value of Him who was priced, whom they of the children of Israel priced, ¹⁰and gave them for the potter’s field, as the LORD directed me.*’”
 2. The money was used to buy a cemetery where strangers were buried! Mt. 27:7; Ac. 1:18,19

- d. Other disciples came around when the Apostles did not:
 - 1. Women, including His mother Mary, stood near the Cross. Jn. 19:25-27
 - 2. Women beat their breasts at His Death and left. Lk. 23:48,49
 - 3. Joseph of Arimathea asked for His Body. Mt. 27:57,58; Mk. 15:42-45; Lk. 23:50-52; Jn. 19:38
 - 4. Joseph and Nicodemus buried Him. Jn. 19:38-42; Mt. 27:59,60; Lk. 23:53,54; Mk. 15:46
 - 5. Women prepared burial anointment. Mt. 27:61; Mk. 15:47; Lk. 23:55,56
- 4. The Apostles' reactions:
 - a. They DENIED!
 - b. They FLED!
 - c. They HID!
 - d. They WERE TERRIBLY PERPLEXED.
 - e. They WERE DEEPLY GRIEVED -- imagine their grief!!!!
- 5. I am sure they were asking "WHAT WILL HAPPEN NOW?"

C. (►) After His Resurrection:

- 1. Other disciples came to the tomb on Sunday morning.
 - a. Women came; the angel to them Jesus had risen! Mt. 28:1-7; Mk. 16:1-7; Lk. 24:1-3; Jn. 20:1
 - b. Trembling and bewildered, they fled. Mk. 16:8
- 2. Mary told Peter and John that Jesus had risen; they ran to the tomb.
 - a. Lk. 24:12 "But Peter arose and ran to the tomb; and stooping down, he saw the linen cloths lying by themselves; and he departed, marveling to himself at what had happened."
 - b. Jn. 20:3-10 "Peter therefore went out, and the other disciple, and were going to the tomb. ⁴So they both ran together, and the other disciple outran Peter and came to the tomb first. ⁵And he, stooping down and looking in, saw the linen cloths lying *there*; yet he did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb; and he saw the linen cloths lying *there*, ⁷and the handkerchief that had been around His head, not lying with the linen cloths, but folded together in a place by itself. ⁸Then the other disciple, who came to the tomb first, went in also; and he saw and believed. ⁹For as yet they did not know the Scripture, that He must rise again from the dead. ¹⁰Then the disciples went away again to their own homes."
- 3. Jesus met Mary Magdalene. Jn. 20:11-17
- 4. He met other women. Mt. 28:8-10

5. Mary Magdalene and the women told the Eleven of His Resurrection. Mk. 16:10,11; Lk. 24:9-11; Jn. 20:18
6. He appeared to Cleopas.
 - a. Mk. 16:12,13 “After that, He appeared in another form to two of them as they walked and went into the country. ¹³And they went and told *it* to the rest, *but* they did not believe them either.”
 - b. “Then the one whose name was Cleopas answered and said to Him, ‘Are You the only stranger in Jerusalem, and have You not known the things which happened there in these days?’ ¹⁹And He said to them, ‘What things?’ So they said to Him, ‘The things concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who was a Prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰and how the chief priests and our rulers delivered Him to be condemned to death, and crucified Him. ²¹But we were hoping that it was He who was going to redeem Israel. Indeed, besides all this, today is the third day since these things happened.’” Lk. 24:18-21
7. The Apostles, hiding, were ELATED when He appeared to them!
 - a. Resurrection Sunday: Jn. 20:19-25 “Then, the same day at evening, being the first *day* of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, ‘Peace *be* with you.’ ²⁰When He had said this, He showed them *His* hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹So Jesus said to them again, ‘Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you.’ ²²And when He had said this, He breathed on *them*, and said to them, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the *sins* of any, they are retained.’ ²⁴Now Thomas, called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵The other disciples therefore said to him, ‘We have seen the Lord.’ So he said to them, ‘Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe.’”
 1. Ten of them were hidden in a locked room.
 2. He appeared to them!
 3. He gave them a charge to proclaim Heaven’s Message!
 - b. The following Sunday:
 1. The next Sunday, along with Thomas, they were in a locked room, still terrified.

2. “And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, ‘Peace to you!’ ²⁷Then He said to Thomas, ‘Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand *here*, and put *it* into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing.’ ²⁸And Thomas answered and said to Him, ‘My Lord and my God!’ ²⁹Jesus said to him, ‘Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed *are* those who have not seen and *yet* have believed.’” Jn. 20:26-29
8. He met them at the Sea of Galilee and ate with them. Jn. 21:1-14
9. He restored Peter’s heart! Jn. 21:15-19
10. He gave them the Great Commission. M. 28:16-20; Mk. 16:15-18
11. I am sure they were asking “WHAT WILL HAPPEN NOW?”

D. After His Ascension.

1. He ascended from the Mt. of Olives outside Jerusalem 40 days after His Resurrection. Ac. 1:3
2. Just before His Ascension He promised the Holy Spirit would provide power to them. Ac. 1:4-8 “And being assembled together with *them*, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, ‘which,’ *He said*, ‘you have heard from Me; ⁵for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.’ ⁶Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, ‘Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?’ ⁷And He said to them, ‘It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. ⁸But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.’”
3. Then He Ascended! Ac. 1:9-11 “Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight. ¹⁰And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel, ¹¹who also said, ‘Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven? This *same* Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven.’”
4. Imagine Their Emptiness Of Heart! I am sure they were asking “WHAT WILL HAPPEN NOW?”
5. They returned to Jerusalem. Ac. 1:12

6. Peter led them in a VERY IMPORTANT TASK -- to find a replacement for Judas; the Lord chose his replacement, Mathias. Ac. 1:13-26
7. Events on Pentecost:
 - a. They received supernatural powers from the "Baptism of the Holy Spirit." Ac. 2:1-4
 - b. They proclaimed that Jesus WAS the Messiah! Ac. 2:14-36
 - c. They offered salvation, Ac. 2:38
 - d. They promised supernatural gifts from the Holy Spirit -- they were given when the Apostles laid hands upon these new Christians. Ac. 2:38,29. They did that for the new Christians at Samaria! Ac. 8:14-17
8. They healed the ill and raised the dead:
 - a. The lame man of Acts 3. Ac. 3:1-10
 - b. Ac. 5:12-16 "And through the hands of the apostles many signs and wonders were done among the people. And they were all with one accord in Solomon's Porch. ¹³Yet none of the rest dared join them, but the people esteemed them highly. ¹⁴And believers were increasingly added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, ¹⁵so that they brought the sick out into the streets and laid *them* on beds and couches, that at least the shadow of Peter passing by might fall on some of them. ¹⁶Also a multitude gathered from the surrounding cities to Jerusalem, bringing sick people and those who were tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all healed."
 - c. Peter healed Aeneas who had been paralyzed for 8 years. Ac. 9:32-35
 - d. Peter raised Dorcas from the dead. Ac. 9:36-41
9. They boldly preached Jesus!
 - a. Ac. 3:11-26 The second sermon.
 - b. Ac. 4:13 "Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated and untrained men, they marveled. And they realized that they had been with Jesus."
 - c. Ac. 5:29 "But Peter and the *other* apostles answered and said: "We ought to obey God rather than men."
 - d. They did this when they had to stand up to cultural biases -- Peter at house of Cornelius! Ac. 10
10. They did so with peace and joy.
 - a. Ac. 9:31 "Then the churches throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria had peace and were edified. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, they were multiplied."
 - b. They missed the Lord terribly; however, they had to carry on His Message to the world!

II. (Slide #3) When WE Ask, “What Will Happen Now?”

A. Times When We Ask That Question:

1. When we face a serious illness, surgery, etc.
2. When a mate dies.
3. When a mate becomes aloof.
4. When a mate becomes unfaithful.
5. When a child rebels against what you have taught him/her and gets into serious trouble.
6. When we lose a job.
4. When our leadership ages, an accident kills them all, resignations occur, or the eldership ends because only one is left.
7. When there are preacher transitions -- he resigns and moves, he is asked to leave, or he retires.
6. When economic uncertainties, losses, and fears overwhelm us.

B. (►) How Do WE Face Situations When We Ask, “What Will Happen Now?”

1. (►) Spend LOTS of time with Jesus!
 - a. The Apostles were with Him for 3 ½ years.
 - b. Still they did not comprehend what He was telling them and for what He was preparing them.
 - c. However, that preparation carried them through when uncertainty, fear, and loneliness became a dark cloud over them!
 - d. Be in His Word, be in Bible Class and worship, be with His people!
2. (►) Trust His promises!
 - a. “My peace I give to you.”
 - b. “I will never leave you nor forsake you!” Heb. 13:5
3. (►) Let His peace calm you!
 - a. Jn. 14:27 “Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.”
 - b. Phil. 4:6,7 “Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; ⁷and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.”

4. (►) If You Fail Miserably, Trust His Compassionate Grace!
 - a. All the Apostles failed miserably -- they fled, Peter denied the Lord, and they were terrified! In essence, they just “shut down.”
 - b. See Jesus restoring Peter to a relationship with Him; see Him give Peter work to do!
 - c. I Jn. 1:9 “If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”

5. (►) Do Not GRIEVE; We Serve A RISEN Savior!
 - a. The Apostles grieved because the Lord was scourged and crucified.
 - b. Ah, but we serve a RISEN Savior!

6. (►) Get Busy With The Task He Has Given Us!
 - a. “Be faithful unto death!” Rev. 2:10
 - b. “Let your light shine!” Mt. 5:14-16
 - c. Tell the lost about Jesus; bring them lost Him!
 - d. “To The Work!”
 1. Workers do not have too much time to fret.
 2. They take the discouragements in stride; they know WHO they are; they know WHOSE they are; they know WHAT they are about; they know WHERE they are going!
 3. They know their mission; they realize how fleeting time is and how precious every soul is!
 - e. “What will happen now?”
 1. Gal. 2:20 “I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the *life* which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.”
 2. Phil. 1:21 “For to me, to live *is* Christ, and to die *is* gain.”
 3. I Cor. 9:19 “For though I am free from all *men*, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win the more;”
 4. I Cor. 9:22 “I have become all things to all *men*, that I might by all means save some.”

Conclusion:

- A. You Can Surely Understand The Apostles’ Question, “What Will Happen Now?”

- B. We Can Surely Understand OUR Question, “What Will Happen Now?”

- C. (Slide #4) Question: What Will Happen Then? -- When You Die? When You Face The Judgment? When You Step Into Eternity? Where Will You Be Eternally?