CREEKSIDE’S TEACHING NOTES for Sunday, August 9, 2015



WHEN TROUBLE COMES

John 14:1-14

What is the worst thing

that has ever happened to you?

(Jesus said of the woman who washed his feet with perfume and dried them with her hair. ) “She did this in preparation for my burial. . . . you will not always have me.”

John 12:7

The crowd responded, “We understood from Scripture that the Messiah would live forever. How can you say that the Son of Man will die?

John 12:47

. . . Jesus knew that his hour had come to leave this world and return to his Father.

John 13:1

. . .”I will be with you only a little longer . . . you will search for me but you cannot come where I am going.”

John 13:33

Knowing their confusion, pain and sense of loss regarding his death Jesus responds with a call for them to act in ways that will strengthen them for what lies ahead.

“Do not LET your hearts be TROUBLED.

You BELIEVE in God; BELIEVE also in me.

John 14:1



LET

2 truths . . .

1) Trouble is knocking on your door

2) You have significant say about letting trouble in

TROUBLED

Jesus is not saying it is wrong to have a sad heart, a concerned heart, a weakened heart, a challenged heart, . . . but don’t let your life become gripped by, controlled by, shaped by this thing he calls a troubled heart

BELIEVE

It is always about what we believe. What we believe creates a troubled heart. What we believe creates a healthy heart. It is always about what we believe, where we place our trust, what our faith leans into.

WHAT DO WE NEED TO BELIEVE

TO AVOID A TROUBLED HEART?

1) BELIEVE IN JESUS

“Do not let your hearts be troubled.

you believe in God; believe also in me.

John 14:1

2) BELIEVE THERE’S A WONDERFUL AFTERLIFE

My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.”

John 14:2-3

“Do not let your hearts be troubled.

John 14:1