



## Nothing New

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<sup>9</sup> History merely repeats itself. It has all been done before. Nothing under the sun is truly new. <sup>10</sup> Sometimes people say, "Here is something new!" But actually it is old; nothing is ever truly new. <sup>11</sup> We don't remember what happened in the past, and in future generations, no one will remember what we are doing now. **Ecclesiastes 1:9-11 NLT**

### 1. Troubled times in the Bible

- **Joseph and his brothers**
- **King David and his son, Absalom**
- **Jesus at the "Last Supper"**

<sup>17</sup> In the evening Jesus arrived with the Twelve. <sup>18</sup> As they were at the table eating, Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, one of you eating with me here will betray me." <sup>19</sup> Greatly distressed, each one asked in turn, "Am I the one?" <sup>20</sup> He replied, "It is one of you twelve who is eating from this bowl with me. <sup>21</sup> For the Son of Man must die, as the Scriptures declared long ago. But how terrible it will be for the one who betrays him. It would be far better for that man if he had never been born!" <sup>22</sup> As they were eating, Jesus took some bread and blessed it. Then he broke it in pieces and gave it to the disciples, saying, "Take it, for this is my body." <sup>23</sup> And he took a cup of wine and gave thanks to God for it. He gave it to them, and they all drank from it. <sup>24</sup> And he said to them, "This is my blood, which confirms the covenant between God and his people. It is poured out as a sacrifice for many. <sup>25</sup> I tell you the truth, I will not drink wine again until the day I drink it new in the Kingdom of God." <sup>26</sup> Then they sang a hymn and went out to the Mount of Olives. **Mark 14:17-26 NLT**

2. The greatest things in life often begin in the **biggest messes**
3. God is working in our world even when we don't see **any evidence**
  - God does some of his **greatest work** during the times when it seems like he is **doing the least**
  - Sometimes it **takes him awhile**

### Next Steps:

- Put my faith in God and surrender my fears to him, knowing I can trust God with my future
- Pray and ask God to increase my faith. I want to trust God in all things, especially during this time in history
- Commit to trust in God for my life, even when I see no evidence that he is doing anything
- Attend the rest of this series (online or in-person)
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