

Christian CND Prayer Diary - April 2025



Passover is an 8-day festival and is celebrated in spring. This year Passover begins on the 12th of April and ends on the 20th of April. It has been an important festival for the Jews since they fled from Egypt.

It should have been a time to offer a sacrifice, to pray and to give thanks for escaping slavery in Egypt but corrupt and greedy merchants and money changers had seen a way to make money by selling sacrificial animals at inflated prices.

Jesus took action. He got angry and threw these people out of the temple. People reacted; His disciples remembered the words from Psalm 69. The Jews asked Jesus for a sign that He was doing the right thing. Jesus replied and many did not understand the reply as they took what He said literally. John also writes that many believed in Jesus.

How do we react to events in the world? Are we passive and accepting like the people who were willing to pay the inflated prices in the temple or do we stand up against corruption and evilness? If we look at the world that God created we see it slowly being destroyed by climate chaos which has been caused by human activity, often linked to greedy companies exploiting fossil fuels. We see people starving because this climate chaos has caused floods or droughts. We see the news about wars and we know that many countries have huge stockpiles of nuclear weapons that they could easily complete the destruction of the world.

We need to stand up against such damage just as Jesus stood up against the money changers. We can do this by supporting Christian organisations the aim to help make the world a better and safer place. Such organisations include Christian Aid, A Rocha, Eco Congregation Scotland and Christian CND.



Pray with us

Loving God, We thank you that Jesus stood up against corruption,

We thank you that he died and rose again after three days

We thank you that He is with us today.

Help us to work to protect your world and all people

Amen