



Chinese Bible School

MONTHLY REPORT—April 2020

Greetings from the Chinese Bible School. May grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord be with you all in the time of trouble. May our faith toward God remain strong knowing that He is in control and continues to do His will on earth.

We are glad that *The Story of Jesus* video lessons 41-47 both in Traditional and Simplified Chinese versions have been completed and uploaded to our website at ChineseBibleSchool.org. These lessons are in the last section (Part 4) of *The Story of Jesus*—the Last Week of the Life of Jesus. The title of these seven lessons are as follows: Lesson 41—Jesus’ Triumphal Entry to Jerusalem; Lesson 42—The Parables of Two Sons, Wicked Husbandmen and Marriage Feast; Lesson 43—Denunciation of Scribes and Pharisees; Lesson 44—Foretelling the Son of Man Being Lifted Up and Destruction of Jerusalem; Lesson 45—The Second Coming of Jesus and the Judgement Day; Lesson 46—The Last Supper; Lesson 47—The Lord’s Supper. We are thankful once again for the technical support from World Video Bible School and the onscreen graphic support from brother Chin Yong in Malaysia remotely.

In addition, we have completed the manuscripts of lessons 50 and 51 in April. The manuscripts of lesson 48-51 are in proofreading and review. Here are the highlights of these four lessons: The farewell speech of the Lord, The Lord’s prayer, The Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus betrayed and arrested, and the Jewish trial.

Our Tencent QQ online Bible study group continued studying the story of Jesus. The lessons for this month were about the Lord’s farewell speech and His prayer recorded in chapters 14-17 of the book of John. While preparing the lessons for the online Bible study, I was touched by the Lord’s exhortation and His love toward the disciples. Regardless of facing the cruel crucifixion ahead, Jesus took time to encourage them, “Let not your hearts be troubled....”, “...In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.” What a Savior!

Since the coronavirus outbreak started in January, the pandemic has caused more than 248,000 deaths globally as of May 4. Some nations took a more restrictive approach to prevent the virus from spreading. Closing the border may effectively prevent the coronavirus spreading, but it is not without cost. Brother Wong, a Malaysian citizen working in Singapore, petitioned the Malaysian government to allow him to return home to visit his critically ill mother a few weeks ago but was denied. His mother passed away and the funeral service was held in Malaysia and was live streaming through Facebook and Zoom. Brother Wong could not say goodbye to his mother in person and could only attend his mother’s funeral service remotely. While we feel so sorry for him, sister Wong offered the following words of comfort, “The encouragement for us now is that we need to live faithfully and can meet her again.” In their time of trouble, instead of self-pity, Jesus comforted his disciples and brother and sister Wong lifted up our souls. As Paul wrote, “Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.” (I Cor. 11:1)

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