

Thoughts from Today's QT/Reading

Judas betrayed Jesus for 30 pieces of silver, which is the price people paid for a male slave back then. Rough estimates, but people presume the same amount of silver today is about \$250. Of course, he felt guilty and made the wrong decision to hang himself, rather than coming to Jesus for forgiveness. The religious leaders who received Judas' returned money, couldn't even use it for their purposes because it was blood money, so with the money, they eventually bought a grave to use for foreigners.

The anti-christ would sit on a city of seven hills. Some see this as Rome, as Rome is built on 7 hills, but there are many other cities who have the same trait, such as Istanbul, Jerusalem, so this reading into prophecies tendency should not be demonstrated here.

Jesus must have felt really tired when He was praying in Gethsemane with the 3 disciples, because it was night time and all the disciples fell asleep, even when He asked them to stay awake with Him in prayer. I thought to myself, I should be more attentive in prayer throughout my day.

When Warren Buffett visited Columbia University, he advised the students to read 500 pages each day. It is important to read. Berkshire Hathaway hired 2 managers in the past 5 years, one of whom ran an investment firm and he described his office was quiet like a library. I love that because I always thought a workplace should be intensely focused on the work, more so than mingling. Mingling is good outside of work, but the workplace should be a focused environment, quiet like a library. Other line of work may require much more interaction, but investing is a lot of reading and analyzing and Excel work, so it should be really quiet.

The attack of the enemy comes in many ways, one of which is the sense of loneliness. Not to dishearten those who are actually physically lonely, but the truth is, the Holy Spirit is with us. This is a fundamental truth which we must believe, as much as we believe in the redeeming work of Jesus's finished work. He will never leave us, nor forsake us. He is with us. If this fact, this truth isn't our strength, I don't know what is.