

The Lord Jesus's Crucifixion.

Matt. 27:33 – 44

A. Introduction

1. Let us be sure to see three important facts as we investigate the Lord crucifixion.
2. Who it is that is being crucified, Jesus Christ the Son of the living God. The Lamb of God and the most Holy and truly pure man to have ever lived. This is whom is being crucified.
3. Why did He suffered this great punishment. **Galatians 4:4 - 5** "But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, (5) To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons."
4. Let us not fail to see why He suffered. It was for our sins. The Son of God suffered for sin, as the sin-bearer for us. **Romans 4:25** "Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification." - **Galatians 1:4** "Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father:"
5. We see Jesus Praying on the Mount of Olives. **Luke 22:39 – 46** Take notice to verse (44) "And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground." Jesus had to become weak in order to die, I believe He slowly became more like a man. He had to be raised from the grave. **Romans 8:11** "But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you."
6. Jesus must have suffered as we suffered to die in our place. All pain was real, all hurt of death itself was real. As in Luke 22:44 - All this so that He could die in your place.

B. Let us first see His pain during this entire time.

1. The pain was necessary as punishment for our sins.
2. Jesus Christ endured all the hell of God's wrath for us when he bore our sins in his body upon the cross. He suffered all the wrath of God that we deserved, as our substitute.
3. **J. C. Ryle said** "all the pains endured by our Lord's body, is indeed a fearful one. Seldom has such suffering been inflicted on one body in the last few hours of a life. The most savage tribes, in their refinement of cruelty, could not have heaped more agonizing tortures on an enemy than were accumulated on the flesh and bones of our beloved

Master. Never let it be forgotten that He had a real human body, a body exactly like our own, just as sensitive, just as vulnerable, just as capable of feeling intense pain.”

4. I do not believe any other person could have survived the punishment afflicted on our Saviour.
5. Don Fortner said, “The person crucified was stretched out on his back on a piece of timber. His hands were stretched out on the cross piece, and nailed through the wrists to the wood with huge spikes. His feet were crossed one on top of the other and nailed together with a huge mallet driving the spike through them both and fastening them to the wood. Then the Lord Jesus was picked up on the cross and it was dropped into a socket three or four feet deep, with his body attached to it! There he hung, not dying suddenly (No vital organ was touched!), in excruciating pain for six long hours. There he hung, naked, shamed...his own holy blood. His head, his hands, his feet oozing with blood, throbbing in pain, the Lord of glory hung there for six indescribable hours of hell.” “Until HE GAVE UP THE GHOST” - **John 19:30** “When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.”

C. Jesus Christ died, “according to the scriptures”

1. **1 Corinthians 15:3** “For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures;” – Every detail was foreordained and Jesus had to fulfill every detail, without failure.
2. Isaiah 53 tells us a lot.
 - a. Isaiah 53:3 “He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.”
 - b. Isaiah 53:7 “He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.”
 - c. Isaiah 53:8 “He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare his generation? for he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was he stricken.”
 - d. Isaiah 53:10 “Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put him to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.”

3. **2 Corinthians 5:21** "For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him."
4. **1 Peter 1:18 - 21** "Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; (19) But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: (20) Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you, (21) Who by him do believe in God, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory; that your faith and hope might be in God."
5. Let understand that everything our Savior did and endured was as a man and was for us.

D. He was victorious.

1. We that are saved evidence of that victory.
2. **Hebrews 10:10 - 14** "By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. (11) And every priest standeth daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins: (12) But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God; (13) From henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool. (14) For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified."
3. **Romans 8:1 - 4** "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. (2) For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death. (3) For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: (4) That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit."