

## THE DEATH OF JESUS

Matthew 27.11-66

## THE TRIAL AND CRUCIFIXION OF JESUS

Matthew 27.11-66 // Isaiah 50.3, 53.3, 12 // Psalm 22.16, 18, 34.20 // Exodus 12.46

### **Crucifixion Facts:**

- The criminal would be laid down and stretched out. 6-9 inch nails would be driven into the wrists, severing the median nerve, which would cause a severe burning and shooting pain and would paralyze the hand.
- This would minimize bleeding, causing a slow death, prolonging the suffering.
- Weight of the body would pull against the wrists, shoulders and elbows would dislocate out of the joints, the ligaments and tendons would tear.
- A footrest was placed under the feet to support them in order to also prolong the death. Also a seat to provide support and prolong suffering.
- The feet were either on top of each other or side by side each other and nailed through the footrest.
- Breathing becomes near impossible. The criminal would have to press down with his feet to take a breath. The nails would push against and tear the tissue between the metatarsals. The scourged back would rub on the cross.
- Air would come in, but not go out, causing carbon dioxide to stay in the body, which would lead to suffocation.
- The heart, under extreme pressure, would eventually burst.

## THE VEIL TORN IN TWO

Inside the Temple, there was a main hall called the Holy Place, but it was separated from the Most Holy Place, or the Holy of Holies. In the Holy of Holies is where the Ark of the Covenant, and the tangible presence of the Lord dwelled. Man could not be in the presence of God, which is why there was a separation by a veil. This veil was about 60 feet tall and 4 to 6 inches thick.

Why is this important? Because we need to understand that Christ did not *only* save us from death, but He saved us TO God!

### **The greatest gift of salvation is adoption.**

-John Calvin

Jesus Himself has become our New Temple. It is Jesus that is the “meeting place,” the “Holy of Holies” that we enter into in order to have full and unhindered fellowship, communion, and adoptive relationship with our Father. We are hidden in Christ, meaning that now and forevermore our “anchor” is fastened “beyond the veil” and in the Holy of Holies, which is Christ.

### **My anchor holds within the veil.**

-Edward Mote, from his hymn, “Solid Rock” (1837)

Hebrews 9.1-28 // 1 Peter 3.18

## NOTES:

### Will You Pray With Us?

Follow along with our daily prayer requests by downloading the **PrayerMate App**, available on both **iOS** and **Android** phones. Go to our website for detailed instructions on how to subscribe to the app to be praying with us daily, as well as reading through our **2 Year Bible Reading Plan**.

## ARE YOU NEW HERE?

### WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION CHURCH!

We’d LOVE for you to fill out the green **Connection Card** on your seat to let us know you were here today. You can drop it in the offering at the end of service or take it to one of our teammates in a **Green Shirt** at the **Connection Booth** outside - we’d love to give you some welcome information. Feel free to grab some food or coffee out in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you’ll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

### SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

If you’ve ever taken your child to one of our **Kids on Mission** classes, or enjoyed a cup of coffee after service, chances are there was a faithful servant behind each of those examples. Serving is one of the **most fun & rewarding ways we experience community** with our church family! **Fill out a connection card** to learn about the serving opportunities available today.

### COMMUNITY GROUPS

The best way to **get connected** in the church is by joining one of our **Community Groups**! You’ll forge friendships, be encouraged, and take the sermon deeper into your heart every week. **Sign up for a Group** on a **Connection Card** or visit the **Connection Booth**. You won’t regret it!

### GIVING

**Gospel-centered generosity** is motivated by a heart of thankfulness because of the sacrificial love God has already shown us. If you call **Life Mission** your home, you can place your gift in the offering baskets at the end of service, give online at **lifemissionchurch.com/blog/give** or mail a check to our PO Box. Thank you so much!

### KIDS ON MISSION

Our **Kids on Mission** ministry has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. Visit our website to read more about the vision and plan we have for our kids, including Pastor Jobey’s heart for the ministry and his walkthrough of our curriculum. For questions about KOM email **Katie McGinty** at **katie@lifemission.tv**

### JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS

Our **6th - 8th graders** worship with the adults and then head to the junior high room with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service.

### HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Our **9th - 12th graders** stay in the service because we believe that it is critical for them to not “graduate the faith” when they graduate school. Our **High School Ministry meets on Thursday Nights @7PM at Casey & Amy Barnes Home in San Marcos**. For directions and/or questions about our student ministries, contact **Casey Barnes** at **casey@lifemission.tv**.



## VISION: WHY DO WE EXIST?

We want to see God's glory known among the nations, to the least, last, and lost.

## MISSION: WHAT DO WE NEED TO DO?

We need to make disciples who make disciples locally and globally, who are saved, equipped, and sent by the Gospel.

## STRATEGY: HOW WILL WE DO IT?

By teaching people how to be rooted in the Gospel of God's glory through the Word of God, Prayer, and Gospel Community.

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## COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Read through **Matthew 27:11-56**. What stood out to you the most from these verses or the message on Sunday? \_\_\_\_\_

Compare the reaction of the crowds in **Matthew 21:8-11** and **27:21-23**. (Read **Mark 15:7** and **Luke 23:18** for more background on Barabbas.) Why do you think the crowd wanted Jesus to be crucified, instead of the "notorious criminal," Barabbas? What did Jesus do that was so offensive to them? \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you think Pilate had some reservations with crucifying Christ? How did he show his hesitation? Do you feel any empathy for Pilate? Why or why not? Is Pilate especially guilty for Christ's death, or was he simply part of God's plan for redemption? \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you think Christ was crucified, rather than slain in some other manner? Read **Numbers 21:7-9**, **Deuteronomy 21:22-23**, and **Galatians 3:13-14**. Find some other prophetic Scriptures that were satisfied by Christ's death to share in your group. (Hint: check Isaiah and Psalms.) \_\_\_\_\_

Read **Hebrews 9:1-14**. What is the significance of the curtain of the temple being torn in two? \_\_\_\_\_

What emotions do you feel when you read through this passage of Scripture? How does reading through this passage impact how you feel about the Gospel? Read **Romans 6:6** and **Galatians 2:20**. \_\_\_\_\_

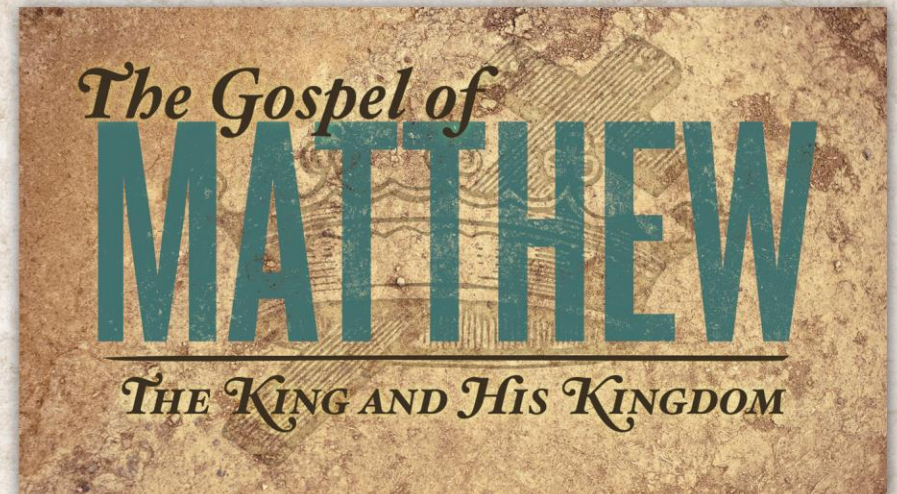
This passage in **Matthew 27:11-56** is hard to read. Christ is tortured, mocked, and ultimately put to death for, ironically, claiming to be the "King of the Jews," which He actually is. But we know this was all part of the Father's plan. Using the **P.R.A.Y.** model, spend some time preaching the Gospel to yourself, reminding yourself that through Christ's death, He puts to death our own sinful nature, and that through Christ's resurrection, we can be made alive in Him. Make a point to specifically spend some time preparing yourself for Good Friday and Easter Sunday this weekend.



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