

## The Crucifixion (John 19:16-42)

### I. The Humiliation of the Christ (16-24)

#### A. Jesus is Counted Among Transgressors (16-18)

1. Pilate sends Jesus to Execution (16)
2. Jesus was crucified between two others (17-18)
  - a. Jesus was forced to bear His cross
  - b. Jesus was crucified between two thieves
  - c. This was a fulfillment of OT prophecy (Isa. 53:12 – Luke 22:37 specifically says this is its fulfillment)

#### B. Jesus is Charged With Being a King (19-22)

1. Pilate Labels Jesus the King of the Jews (19-20)
  - a. Pilate writes “king of the jews” over Jesus’ head
  - b. Many people saw it because it was written in three languages and in a visible location
  - c. Pilate makes it clear that this man is dying because the Jews said he claimed to be a king
2. Pilate’s Inscription Offends the Jews (21-22)
  - a. The Priests asked him to change it to “he said, I am king of the Jews”
  - b. Pilate refuses to change the inscription
  - c. Perhaps out of spite for the Jews themselves
  - d. Now they have what they wanted, they are ashamed and embarrassed that this man is labeled the king of the jews

#### C. Jesus’ Clothes are Gambled Away at the Cross (23-24)

1. Four soldiers claimed his four outer garments
2. They did not want to split the Tunic so they gambled for it
3. This fulfilled Psalm 22:18
  - a. Imagine what a scene it must have been for Jesus to look down and see men gambling for His clothes
  - b. This was usually done when a man was already dead
  - c. Every aspect of Jesus’ ordeal was abject humiliation but it was to fulfill the Scripture.

#### D. Jesus Comforts the Believers in His Suffering (25-27)

(right in the midst of his suffering – Jesus shows compassion for those suffering as they watch Him die.)

1. The Women are standing by Jesus’ cross (25)
  - a. Notice that it was the women mentioned who have not abandoned Jesus at the cross
  - b. Notice that there are four women as opposed to four soldiers gambling for His clothes
2. Jesus Unites John and His Mother (26-27)
  - a. Jesus sees the disciple he loves (John) with His mother
  - b. Jesus gives them to each other as mother and Son
  - c. From that time, John cared for her as his mother

3. Interesting that Jesus was thinking of their suffering as he was dying on the cross

## II. The Death of the Christ (28-37)

### A. Jesus Dies on the Cross (28-30)

1. Jesus is denied water to quench his thirst (28-29)
  - a. Jesus knew that all things had been accomplished
  - b. Jesus cries out he is thirsty
  - c. Jesus is given (gall) – sour wine
2. Jesus Completes His Mission (30)
  - a. Jesus says – It is finished
    - i. This is the word used when a bill is paid in full
    - ii. This is the word used in commerce
  - b. Jesus Gives us His Spirit

### B. Jesus' Death is Verified (31-34)

1. The Jews Asked for the Execution to be Hurried (31)
  - a. The Jews didn't want the bodies left up during the Sabbath – today was the day of preparation
  - b. The Jews asked that the legs be broken
    - i. Crucifixion was death by suffocation – the victim had to push up with his legs to take in a breath
    - ii. With broken legs, they suffocate quicker
2. Jesus' Legs were Not Broken (32-33)
  - a. The soldiers break the legs of the other two
  - b. Jesus was already dead so they didn't break His legs
3. Jesus is Pierced With a Spear (34)
  - a. This was a test to make sure he was dead
  - b. Blood and Water flow out proving he was dead

### C. Jesus' Death Fulfills OT Prophecy (35-37)

1. Jesus' death is reported by eyewitness testimony (35)
2. None of His bones broken fulfills Scripture
3. His pierced side fulfills Scripture

## III. The Burial of The Christ (38-42)

### A. Two Disciples Reveal Themselves to Bury Jesus (38-40)

1. Joseph is Granted Jesus' Body (38)
  - a. Joseph was a secret disciple – now coming into the open
  - b. Joseph went to Pilate for permission to take Jesus
2. Nicodemus and Joseph Prepare Jesus for Burial (39-40)
  - a. Nicodemus was also a secret disciple coming out into the open
  - b. Nicodemus brought a valuable amount of spices to anoint the body
  - c. Nicodemus wrapped Jesus' body for a proper burial
3. Jesus is buried in a garden tomb (41-42)
  - a. Jesus is laid in a never used, garden tomb
  - b. Jesus began all this in a garden in John 18 – now it all ends in a garden

