

Why was it necessary for Christ to die on a cross?



The Spiritual Significance of Christ's Death

THE DEATH OF CHRIST

The Spiritual Significance of the Events Surrounding His Death

INTERACTIVE OUTLINE

Sunday Morning: 10:30 p.m.

Scripture Reading: Phil 2:7-8

Sunday April 13, 2014

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INTRO.

- A. Jesus had to die, but **why** on a **c**_____?
 - 1. Because of its **p**_____ (Jn 12:32).
 - 2. Because it demonstrates **how sin is awful**. (2 Cor 5:21).
- B. We must not just focus on the *physical*, but on the *s*_____!

I. THE HISTORICAL ASPECT.

- A. It was a *hideous and degrading* experience.
- B. It was a form of **p**_____ execution. The titulus stated the crime.
- C. Why was Jesus dead after only **s**____ hours?
 - 1. He had been *scourged* after being up all night.
 - 2. He suffered the *emotional trauma* of bearing the **g**_____ of sin.

II. THE MIRACLES OF THE CROSS.

- A. Three hours of **d**_____ from 12 noon until 3 p.m. (Lk 23:44).
- B. The **earthquake**, which connotes **judgment** (Matt 27: 51-52).
- C. The **v**_____ of the temple was torn (Matt 27: 51-52).
 - 1. A Divine act showing the Old Testament system was finished.
 - 2. The barrier between God and man had been bridged by Jesus!
- D. The **t**_____ of the saints were open (Matt 27: 52)!

III. THE EVENTS SURROUNDING THE CROSS.

- A. Barabbas, the **g**_____ man is set free; the innocent is slain (Mk 15:15).
- B. Two thieves are placed on each side of Jesus (Mark 15:27).
- C. The centurion soldier declares, "Surely, this man was the son of God."
- D. Jesus says: "It is finished," a Roman battle cry of victory (Jn 19:30)!

CON: No wonder Jesus said: "**If I be lifted up, I will draw all men to Myself**" (Jn 12:32). Have **you** come to Jesus?

Notes

ANSWERS:

guilty	tombs
veil	darkness
cross	power
guilt	six
public	spiritual