The Death of Jesus

Matthew 27:33-54

33 And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), 34 they offered Him wine to drink, mixed with gall, but when He tasted it, He would not drink it.

35 And when they had crucified Him, they divided His garments among them by casting lots. 36 Then they sat down and kept watch over Him there. 37 And over His head they put the charge against Him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews."



38 Then two robbers were crucified with Him, one on the right and one on the left. 39 And those who passed by derided Him, wagging their heads 40 and saying, "You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save Yourself! If You are the Son of God, come down from the cross."

41 So also the chief priests, with the scribes and elders, mocked Him, saying, 42 "He saved others; He cannot save Himself. He is the King of Israel; let Him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in Him. 43 He trusts in God; let God deliver Him now, if He desires Him. For He said, 'I am the Son of God.'"

44 And the robbers who were crucified with Him also reviled Him in the same way.

45 Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. 46 And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?" 47 And some of the bystanders, hearing it, said, "This man is calling Elijah."

48 And one of them at once ran and took a sponge, filled it with sour wine, and put it on a reed and gave it to Him to drink. 49 But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save Him."

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50 And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and yielded up His spirit.

51 And behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. And the earth shook, and the rocks were split. 52 The tombs also were opened. And many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised, 53 and coming out of the tombs after His resurrection they went into the holy city and appeared to many.

54 When the centurion and those who were there with Him, keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were filled with awe and said, "Truly this was the Son of God!"

(Read also: Mark 15:16-41, Luke 23:26-49, John 19:17-30)

We love Him because He first loved us. 1 John 4:19

A Closer Look: The Crucifixion of Jesus

- 1. How did Jesus die? (He gave His life on the cross)
- 2. Where was Jesus crucified? (Golgotha or Calvary)
- 3. Who did Jesus pray for while on the cross? (His enemies)
- 4. The church leaders mocked Him. What did they tell Jesus to do? (Save Yourself. Come down from the cross and we will believe.)
- 5. What did the sign above Jesus head say? (He was King of the Jews)
- 6. Why did Jesus die? (He loved us so much that He died to pay the price for our sins)
- 7. A centurion was an officer in the Roman army. What did he say as he watched the crucifixion of Jesus? (*This was the Son of God*)
- 8. When did Jesus rise from the dead? (Three days later, Easter)
- 9. Some very unusual things happened when Jesus died. Name them. (*The curtain in the temple tore, there was an earthquake, some of the dead rose.*) How do these events help you to see that Jesus truly is the Son of God?

Kutarisisa – Kuroverwa kwaJesu pamuchinjikwa

- 1. Ko Jesu akafa sei? (Akapa upenyu hwake pamuchinjikwa.)
- 2. Ko Jesu akaroverwa kupi? (PaGorokota kana Karvari)
- 3. Ko Jesu akanyengeterera ani ari pamuchinjikwa? (Vavengi vake.)
- 4. Vaprisita vakuru navakuru vomurairo vakamuseka. Vakataura kunaJesu kuti aitei? (Zviponese. Buruka pamuchinjikwa tigotenda kwauri.)
- 5. Rugwaro rwaiva pamusoro paJesu rwaiti kudini? ("UYU NDIJESU, MAMBO WAVAJUDHA.")
- 6. Ko nemhaka yei Jesu akafa? (Akatida norudo rwukuru akafa kuripa mhosva yezvivi zvedu.)
- 7. Mukuru wezana aiva mutungamiriri wehondo yechiRoma. Ko akati kudiniko apo akatarira rufu rwaJesu pamuchinjikwa? (Akati, "Zvechokwadi, anga ari Mwanakomana waMwari!")
- 8. Ko Jesu akamuka rini kubbva kuvakafa? (Mushure memazuva matatu.)
- 9. Pane zvinhu zvinoshamisa zvakaitika pazuva rafa Jesu pamuchinjikwa; zvidome. (Chidzitiro chetembere chabvaruka, kukava nokudengenyeka kwenyika, uye vakafa vakamutswa kubva kubwiro)

Kufa kwaJesu

Mateo 27:33-54

33 Vakasvika panzvimbo inonzi Gorokota, (zvinoreva kuti Nzvimbo yeDehenya). 34 Ipapo vakapa Jesu waini yakasanganiswa nenduru, kuti anwe, asi akati airavira akaramba kuinwa.

35 Vakati vamuroverera pamuchinjikwa, vakagovana nguo dzake vachiita zvokukanda mijenya. 36 Uye vakagara pasi, vakamurinda. 37 Pamusoro pake vakaisa rugwaro rwemhosva yake rwaiti: "UYU NDIJESU, MAMBO WAVAJUDHA."



38 Makororo maviri akarovererwawo pamwe chete naye, mumwe kurudyi mumwe kuruboshwe. 39 Vaya vaipfuura napo, vakamutuka vachidzungudza misoro yavo 40 uye vachiti, "Iwe uri kuzoputsa temberi uchizoivakazve mumazuva matatu, chizviponesa! Buruka pamuchinjikwa kana uri Mwanakomana waMwari!"

41 Nenzira imwe cheteyo, vaprista vakuru, navadzidzisi vomurayiro navakuru vakamuseka vachiti, 42 "Akaponesa vamwe, asi haagoni kuzviponesa! Ndiye Mambo welsraeri! Ngaaburuke zvino pamuchinjikwa tigotenda kwaari. 43 Anovimba naMwari ngaachimununura iye zvino kana achimuda, nokuti akati, 'Ndiri Mwanakomana waMwari.'"

44 Nenzira imwe cheteyo makororo akanga arovererwa pamwe chete naye akamutukawo.

Kufa kwaJesu

45 Kubva panguva yechitanhatu kusvika panguva yepfumbamwe rima rakavapo panyika yose. 46 Nenguva inenge yepfumbamwe, Jesu akadanidzira nenzwi guru achiti, "Eroi, Eroi, rama sabhakitani?" zvichireva kuti, "Mwari wangu! Mwari wangu, mandisiyireiko?" 47 Vamwe vakanga vamirepo vakati vanzwa izvozvo, vakati, "Ari kudana Eria."

48 Pakarepo mumwe wavo akamhanya akatora chipanje. Akachizadza newaini yevhiniga ndokuchiisa pachimuti, achibva apa Jesu kuti anwe. 49Vamwe vakati, "Zvino musiyei ari oga. Regai tione kana Eria achiuya kuzomuponesa."

50 Uye Jesu akati adanidzira nenzwi guru, akabudisa mweya wake.

51 Panguva iyoyo chidzitiro chomutemberi chakabvaruka napakati kubva kumusoro kusvika pasi. Nyika yakadengenyeka, uye mabwe akatsemuka. 52 Makuva akazaruka, mitumbi yavatsvene vazhinji vakanga vakafa ikamutswa kuupenyu. 53 Vakabuda mumakuva, uye shure kwokumuka kwaJesu vakapinda muguta dzvene uye vakaonekwa navanhu vazhinji.

54 Mukuru wezana navaya vaakanga anavo vakarinda Jesu, pavakaona kudengenyeka kwenyika nezvose zvakanga zvaitika, vakatya kwazvo, uye vakati, "Zvechokwadi, anga ari Mwanakomana waMwari!"

(Verengawo Mako 15:16-41, Ruka 23:26-49, Johani 19:17-30)