

La Muerte de Jesús



Nosotros lo amamos a él porque él nos amó primero. 1 Juan 4:19

Mateo 27:33, 35-46, 50-54 - *La Muerte de Jesús*

33 Cuando llegaron a un lugar llamado Gólgota, (que significa: «Lugar de la Calavera»), **35** Cuando lo hubieron crucificado, repartieron entre sí sus vestidos, echando suertes, para que se cumpliera lo dicho por el profeta: «Repartieron entre sí mis vestidos, y sobre mi ropa echaron suertes». **36** Y sentados lo custodiaban allí. **37** Pusieron sobre su cabeza su causa escrita: «Este es Jesús, el rey de los judíos».

38 Entonces crucificaron con él a dos ladrones, uno a la derecha y otro a la izquierda. **39** Los que pasaban lo insultaban meneando la cabeza **40** y diciendo: «Tú, el que derribas el templo y en tres días lo reedificas, sálvate a ti mismo. Si eres Hijo de Dios, desciende de la cruz». **41** De esta manera también los principales sacerdotes, junto con los escribas, los fariseos y los ancianos, se burlaban de él y decían: **42** «A otros salvó, pero a sí mismo no se puede salvar. Si es el Rey de Israel, que descienda ahora de la cruz, y creeremos en él. **43** Confió en Dios; líbrelo ahora si le quiere, porque ha dicho: “Soy Hijo de Dios”».

44 Del mismo modo lo insultaban los ladrones que habían sido crucificados con él. **45** Desde la hora sexta hubo tinieblas sobre toda la tierra hasta la hora novena. **46** Cerca de la hora novena, Jesús clamó a gran voz, diciendo: «Elí, Elí, ¿lama sabactani?» (que significa: «Dios mío, Dios mío, ¿por qué me has desamparado?»).

50 Pero Jesús, habiendo otra vez clamado a gran voz, entregó el espíritu. **51** Entonces el velo del templo se rasgó en dos, de arriba abajo; la tierra tembló, las rocas se partieron, **52** los sepulcros se abrieron y muchos cuerpos de santos que habían dormido, se levantaron; **53** y después que él resucitó, salieron de los sepulcros, entraron en la santa ciudad y aparecieron a muchos. **54** El centurión y los que estaban con él custodiando a Jesús, al ver el terremoto y las cosas que habían sido hechas, llenos de miedo dijeron: «Verdaderamente este era Hijo de Dios».

Matthew 27:33, 35-46, 50-54 - *The Death of Jesus*

33 And when they came to a place called Golgotha. 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 Two robbers were crucified with Him, one on the right and one on the left. 39 Those who passed by derided Him, wagging their heads 40 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 The robbers who were crucified with Him reviled Him in the same way. 45 Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. 46 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?”

50 Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and yielded up His spirit. 51 Behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split. 52 The tombs also were opened. 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)

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. If you had watched Jesus crucifixion, how do you think you would have reacted? What did the centurion say?** *(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.)*