

To Seek & To Save Through the Cross (John 19:16-30)

I. THE BURDENS OF THE CROSS (JOHN 19:17)

A. IT WAS A PHYSICAL BURDEN

Isaiah 53:4-5, “⁴ Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. ⁵ But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.”

B. IT WAS AN EMOTIONAL BURDEN

Mark 15:16-20, “¹⁶ And the soldiers led him away into the hall, called Praetorium; and they call together the whole band. ¹⁷ And they clothed him with purple, and platted a crown of thorns, and put it about his head, ¹⁸ And began to salute him, Hail, King of the Jews! ¹⁹ And they smote him on the head with a reed, and did spit upon him, and bowing their knees worshipped him. ²⁰ And when they had mocked him, they took off the purple from him, and put his own clothes on him, and led him out to crucify him.”

C. IT WAS A SPIRITUAL BURDEN (I PETER 2:23-24)

II. THE BLOOD OF THE CROSS (JOHN 19:18)

Hebrews 9:22, “And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission.”

Isaiah 52:14, “. . . his visage was so marred more than any man, and his form more than the sons of men:”

A. HIS BLOOD WAS FROM MIRACULOUS ORIGIN

Luke 1:35, “And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.”

Acts 20:28, “Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.”

John 14:6, “Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.”

I Peter 1:19, “But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:”

B. HIS BLOOD PROVIDES MIRACULOUS OPPORTUNITY

III. THE BLESSINGS OF THE CROSS (JOHN 19:30)

A. THE FINISHED WORK OF REDEMPTION (HEBREWS 9:22)

I Peter 1:18-19, “¹⁸ Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; ¹⁹ But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:”

Exodus 12:13, “And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you. . . .”

B. THE FINISHED WORK OF JUSTIFICATION

Romans 3:24-25, “²⁴ Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: ²⁵ Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;”

Romans 5:9, “Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.”

C. THE FINISHED WORK OF RECONCILIATION

Colossians 1:20, “And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.”

Ephesians 1:7, “In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;”

D. THE FINISHED WORK OF SALVATION (TITUS 3:4-5)
