

QUESTIONS?

I'VE WANTED TO ASK GOD

Why Did Jesus Have to Die?

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Jesus Arrested

“Then Jesus spoke to the leading priests, the captains of the Temple guard, and the elders who had come for him. ‘Am I some dangerous revolutionary,’ he asked, ‘that you come with swords and clubs to arrest me? Why didn’t you arrest me in the Temple? I was there every day. But this is your moment, the time when the power of darkness reigns.’” – Luke 22:52-53

Jesus Condemned

(Pontius Pilate) “‘Why? What crime has he committed? I have found no reason to sentence him to death. So I will have him flogged, and then I will release him.’ But the mob shouted louder and louder, demanding that Jesus be crucified, and their voices prevailed. So Pilate sentenced Jesus to die as they demanded. As they had requested, he released Barabbas, the man in prison for insurrection and murder. But he turned Jesus over to them to do as they wished.” – Luke 23:22-25

Jesus Executed

“Two others, both criminals, were led out to be executed with him. When they came to a place called The Skull, they nailed him to the cross. And the criminals were also crucified – one on his right and one on his left. Jesus said, ‘Father, forgive them, for they don’t know what they are doing.’” – Luke 23:32-34

Jesus’ Resurrection

“But very early on Sunday morning the women went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. They found that the stone had been rolled away from the entrance. So they went in, but they didn’t find the body of the Lord Jesus. As they stood there puzzled, two men suddenly appeared to them, clothed in dazzling robes. The women were terrified and bowed with their faces to the ground. Then the men asked, ‘Why are you looking among the dead for someone who is alive? He isn’t here! He is risen from the dead!’” – Luke 24:1-6

WHY DID JESUS HAVE TO DIE?

(Jesus) “My Father! If it is possible, let this cup of suffering be taken away from me. Yet I want your will to be done, not mine.” – Matthew 26:39

- JESUS DIED TO _____ WITH GOD.

“This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun! And all of this is a gift from God, who brought us back to himself through Christ. And God has given us

this task of reconciling people to him. For God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, no longer counting people's sins against them..." – 2 Corinthians 5:17-19

(Jesus) *"I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me."* – John 14:6

- **JESUS DIED TO _____ FOR MY SINS.**

Memory Verse:

"Christ suffered for our sins once for all time. He never sinned, but he died for sinners to bring you safely home to God. He suffered physical death, but he was raised to life in the Spirit." – 1 Peter 3:18

"You were dead because of your sins and because your sinful nature was not yet cut away. Then God made you alive with Christ, for he forgave all our sins. He canceled the record of the charges against us and took it away by nailing it to the cross." – Colossians 2:13-14

- **JESUS DIED TO _____ FOR ME.**

"Now, most people would not be willing to die for an upright person, though someone might perhaps be willing to die for a person who is especially good. But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners." – Romans 5:7-8

(Jesus) *"There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends."* – John 15:13

- **JESUS DIED TO _____ TO ETERNAL LIFE.**

(Jesus) *"For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life."* – John 3:16

"If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved." – Romans 10:9

MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS TO:

- ☐ Memorize 1 Peter 3:18.
- ☐ Thank Jesus for dying on the cross so I can have eternal life.
- ☐ Explore joining FBC Garden City at the next Membership Class after church on Sunday, November 1 (12:15-2:45pm).
- ☐ Help make a difference thru Trunk or Treat in the following way(s):
__ Candy __ Car __ Serve __ Donate \$ __ Invite __ Attend
- ☐ Sign up for Fall Growth Group #: _____

* Join us next Sunday, October 18, at 11:00am, as we continue our new fall teaching series, *"Questions I've Wanted to Ask God,"* with *"Is Jesus Really God?"* Invite your friends and family to join us!



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