

GLORY IN DEATH

John 19:16-30

FROM PASTOR MARK

John 20:31 gave the theme of the Gospel of John and 1:14 explained how this works—“the Word became flesh and dwelt among us and we have seen His *glory*...” This was true even in the record of His death. John (and the other Gospel writers) did not emphasize the physical torture of crucifixion, but the *glory* of the God-man even on the cross. Remember that Jesus was fully in charge and committed to fulfill His Father’s plan in every way (John 18:4-8).

I. THE GLORY OF OUR LORD’S PLACEMENT IN DEATH (19:18)

- A. He identified with sinners (Is. 53:12, 2 Cor. 5:21).
- B. One of those criminals came to believe (Luke 23:39-43).

II. THE GLORY OF OUR LORD’S ANNOUNCEMENT IN DEATH (19:19-22)

- A. Pilate was determined to mock the Jews.
- B. God saw to it that all languages in the region could read that Jesus was King.

III. THE GLORY OF OUR LORD’S FULFILLMENTS IN DEATH (19:22-24, 28-29)

- A. The Soldiers’ Actions and the Sovereign Fulfillment (Psalm 22:18)
- B. Jesus’ Thirst and Orchestrating One More Fulfillment (Psalm 69:21)

IV. THE GLORY OF OUR LORD’S SYMPATHY IN DEATH (19:25-27)

- A. Those who loved Jesus (25)
- B. Those whom Jesus loved (26-27)
 - 1. John never got over it (19:26; 13:23; 20:2; 21:7; 21:20)
 - 2. Jesus provided for His mother (26-27) (distance, respect, responsibility for her)

V. THE GLORY OF OUR LORD’S ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN DEATH (19:30a)

- A. *It is Finished* = Mission Accomplished (17:4)
- B. *It is Finished* = Paid in Full (1 John 4:10)

VI. THE GLORY OF OUR LORD’S SOVEREIGNTY IN DEATH (19:30b, 10:17-18)

The plan of God was fulfilled perfectly and the price for our sins was paid. Have you appropriated it for yourself?

Come what may, remember Romans 8:32!

1. How did Jesus' death display His glory through:
 - a. His Placement (19:18)
 - b. Its Announcement (19:19-22)
 - c. His Fulfillments (19:22-24, 28-29)
 - d. His Sympathy (19:25-27)
 - e. His Accomplishment (19:30)
 - f. His Sovereignty (19:31)
2. Which of these displays of His glory is most encouraging to you and why?
3. How does John's record of the crucifixion help you love Jesus more?
4. Read 1 John 4:10 and remember that "propitiation" meant "full payment, full satisfaction." How does that encourage you personally.
5. Read Romans 8:32. How does Jesus' death assure you about every other good thing that God has planned for you?
6. Be praying for those whom you will invite to Good Friday or Easter Services this year.

FOR NEXT TIME—Read John 19:31-42, *Dead and Buried*