

HIS TRIUMPHAL ENTRY

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethpage, to the Mount of Olives, there Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

"to the daughter of Zion,
 Beh, your king is coming to you,
 humble, and mounted on a donkey,
 on a colt, the foal of a burden."

BROUGHT BEFORE PILATE

"You say that I am a king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me."

"What is truth?" retorted Pilate. With this he went out to the Jews, gathered there and said, "I find no basis for a charge against him. But it is your custom for me to release to you one prisoner at the time of the Passover. Do you want me to release 'the king of the Jews'?"



The tomb has been found empty three days after the burial of Jesus. Angel spoke that He is not here. That He has risen from the grave.



HE'S ALIVE!

"Why are you looking in the place of the dead? For someone who is alive, Jesus isn't here! He has been raised from death. Remember that while he was still in Galilee, he told you, 'The Son of Man will be handed over to sinners who will nail him to a cross. But three days later he will rise to life.'" Then they remembered what Jesus had said.

IT IS FINISHED

BREAKING NEWS: THE TOMB HAS BEEN FOUND COMPLETELY EMPTY. JESUS ROSE FROM THE DEAD.

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"And the crowd that stood before him and that followed him began shouting, 'Hosanna to the Lord! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!'"



HIS LAST SUPPER



While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat this is my body."

Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, I will not drink from this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

HE CARRIED HIS CROSS

And they spit on him and took the reed and struck him on the head. And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the robe, and put his own clothes on him and led him away to crucify him. Carrying his own cross, he went out to the place of the skull (which in Aramaic is called Golgotha). There they crucified him, and with him two others—one on each side and Jesus in the middle.



JESUS CRUCIFIED

"They came to a place called Golgotha (which means 'the place of the skull'). There they offered Jesus wine to drink, mixed with gall; but after tasting it, he refused to drink it. When they had crucified him, they divided up his clothes by casting lots. And sitting down, they kept watch over him there. Above his head they placed the written charge against him: this is Jesus, the king of the Jews."

HE HAS RISEN. JUST AS HE HAD SAID.

Jesus came to heal the sick, give sight to the blind, mend the hurting and broken, and to give salvation to all. He was crucified on a cross, died, buried in a tomb and rose from the dead 3 days later. Salvation is here!



SALVATION FOR ALL

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."



Our Focus

To lead people to become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.

Here at Christ's Church, we focus on leading people to be fully devoted followers who will lead others to become fully devoted followers. A fully devoted follower of Jesus is growing in the three rhythms of discipleship—*pursuing God, connecting with disciples, and unleashing impact on the world around them.*

Jesus wants to work in every area of your life, but we know it can be hard to let Jesus have control. Because of that, we want to partner with you and help you grow in your faith. As disciples, we are all learning to submit every aspect of our lives to the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

Jesus is the reason and the purpose behind everything we do. Therefore, we genuinely believe that Jesus is worth following. Because of that, we want to see you get connected to what God is doing through Christ's Church.

Sincerely,

Christ's Church Teaching Team

WEEK 1

When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals—one on his right, the other on his left. Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."

Luke 23:33-34, NIV

Questions

- How does Luke 23:34 fit into the larger narrative of redemption in Scripture?
- What is the significance of Jesus' declaration of forgiveness at this specific moment of His crucifixion?
- How does Jesus' act of forgiveness on the cross illustrate the nature of God's grace?
- Why is forgiveness considered a foundational aspect of the Christian faith?
- In what ways can recognizing our own forgiveness through Christ motivate us to forgive others?
- What are some examples of offenses that you find difficult to forgive, and how does understanding Christ's forgiveness help?
- How can you actively practice grace in a world filled with conflict and division?

Notes

WEEK 2

Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." Jesus answered him, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

Luke 23:42-43, NIV

Questions

- How does the story of the two thieves on the cross illustrate the concept of grace?
- What is the significance of Jesus' last words in terms of the broader theme of redemption in Scripture?
- What is the significance of Jesus' declaration to the repentant thief at this specific moment of His crucifixion?
- What key contrast is highlighted between the two thieves crucified alongside Jesus?
- What does the repentant thief's admission of guilt teach us about humility and our need for Jesus?
- What does the promise of paradise suggest about the finality of Christ's salvation?
- How can we apply the message of grace in our own lives when dealing with feelings of unworthiness?

Notes

WEEK 3

*When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to her, “**Woman, here is your son,**” and to the disciple, “**Here is your mother.**” From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.*

John 19:26-27, NIV

Questions

- What is the significance of Jesus entrusting the care of Mary to John at this specific moment of His crucifixion?
- Why is it important that Jesus cared for His mother even while He was suffering on the cross?
- What does this sermon teach us about the importance of family and community in the life of a Christian?
- What does the creation of new family ties by Jesus suggest about the nature of Christian relationships?
- How can you show empathy and love to your friends and family, similar to how Jesus cared for Mary?
- In what ways can we embody the compassion that Jesus showed to His mother in our daily lives?

Notes

WEEK 4

About three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, “Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?” (which means “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”).

Matthew 27:46, NIV

Questions

- What is the significance of Jesus words at this specific moment of His crucifixion?
- How does this moment on the cross demonstrate Jesus' mission and commitment to bear the full weight of sin?
- What are the key themes present in Psalm 22 that relate to Jesus' sacrifice and victory?
- How can the theme of triumph through trust in Psalm 22 encourage you to face your personal challenges?
- How does viewing Christ as the 'suffering servant' affect your understanding of His role in the world?
- Reflect on a current struggle: how might focusing on Christ's completed work on the cross impact your response to it?
- How can you apply the assurance of God's love in moments when you feel abandoned or alone?

Notes

WEEK 5

Later, knowing that everything had now been finished, and so that Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, "I am thirsty." A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus' lips.

John 19:28-29, NIV

Questions

- What is the significance of Jesus words at this specific moment of His crucifixion?
- What does Jesus' declaration 'I thirst' reveal about His humanity during His crucifixion?
- Why is it important to understand both the humanity and divinity of Jesus when discussing salvation?
- How does Jesus connect the themes in Psalm 69 with his crucifixion and sacrifice?
- How can we apply the concept of Jesus as our perfect substitute in our everyday choices and relationships?
- In what ways can the assurance of salvation through Jesus influence how we live?

Notes

WEEK 6

When he had received the drink, Jesus said, "It is finished." With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

John 19:30, NIV

Questions

- What does Jesus mean when He declares 'It is finished' in John 19:30? How does it relate to God's redemptive plan in Scripture?
- What are some Old Testament connections that illustrate the significance of Christ's sacrifice?
- In what ways can believers apply the truth of Christ's finished work to their daily struggles and sins?
- How can the assurance of victory in Christ's sacrifice help you face challenges in your life?
- How can understanding that Jesus has completed the work of salvation change the way you view your failures?
- What practical steps can you take to live in the freedom that comes from believing 'It is finished'?
- In what ways can you encourage friends who may struggle to believe in the finished work of Christ?

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