

Jesus: Taste & See that the Lord Is Good

Jesus Was Crucified

Various Texts

The Bible provides us with a description of this all-important week. Last Sunday, called Palm Sunday, we celebrated Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Since then, many incredible events have taken place that bring us to Good Friday.

Monday

Jesus Wept over Jerusalem: *"And when he drew near and saw the city, he wept over it."* **Luke 19:41**

Jesus Cleared the Temple: *"And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who sold, saying to them, 'It is written, 'My house shall be a house of prayer,' but you have made it a den of robbers.'"* **Luke 19:45-46**

Tuesday

Jesus Taught, While the Leaders Schemed: *"And he was teaching daily in the temple. The chief priests and the scribes and the principal men of the people were seeking to destroy him, but they did not find anything they could do, for all the people were hanging on his words."* **Luke 19:47-48**

Wednesday

Judas Agrees to Betray Jesus: *"Then one of the twelve, whose name was Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests and said, 'What will you give me if I deliver him over to you?' And they paid him thirty pieces of silver. And from that moment he sought an opportunity to betray him."* **Matthew 26:14-16**

Preparing for The Passover: *"Now on the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying, 'Where will you have us prepare for you to eat the Passover?' He said, 'Go into the city to a certain man and say to him, 'The Teacher says, My time is at hand. I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples.' And the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover."* **Matthew 26:17-19**

Thursday - Passover

Jews around the world celebrate Passover to commemorate God's deliverance of their people from slavery through the blood of the lamb. There are 2 things you can always count on with a Jewish Passover: 1) It happens every year, 2) It happens the same way every time. Including:

- **Four Cups representing the Four Promises of Exodus 6:6-7**

"Say therefore to the people of Israel, 'I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians (Promise of Deliverance from Egypt), and I will deliver you from slavery (Promise of Deliverance from Slavery) to them, and I will

redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great acts of judgment (Promise of Redemption by His Power). I will take you to be my people, and I will be your God, and you shall know that I am the LORD your God (Promise of Relationship Restored), who has brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians."

Exodus 6:6-7

- **Bread of Affliction:**
- **Bitter Herbs**
- **Fruit**
- **The Lamb**

Something Was Different: Jesus completely re-wrote the meaning and the ending of the Passover...

*"And as they were eating, he took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to them, and said, 'Take; this is my body.' And he took a cup and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, and they all drank of it. And he said to them, 'This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly, I say to you, I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God.'" **Mark 14:22-25***

*"For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when had given thanks, he broke it, and said, 'This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes." **1 Corinthians 11:23-26***

Friday

Jesus Arrested in the Garden of Gethsemane: *"While he was still speaking, Judas came, one of the twelve, and with him a great crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, 'The one I will kiss is the man; seize him.' And he came up to Jesus at once and said, 'Greetings, Rabbi!' And he kissed him. Jesus said to him, 'Friend, do what you came to do.' Then they came up and laid hands on Jesus and seized him."* **Matthew 26:47-50**

Jewish Trials: *"First they led him to Annas...Annas then sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest."* **John 18:13a, 24**

Roman Trials: *"Then they led Jesus from the house of Caiaphas to the governor's headquarters...Pilate said to them, 'Take him yourselves and judge him by your own law.' The Jews said to him, 'It is not lawful for us to put anyone to death.'" **John 18:28a, 31***

Courtyard Episode: *“But they were urgent, demanding with loud cries that he should be crucified. And their voices prevailed. So Pilate decided that their demand should be granted. He released the man who had been thrown into prison for insurrection and murder, for whom they asked, but he delivered Jesus over to their will.”* **Luke 23:23-25**

Via Dolorosa (Painful Way) & Crucifixion: *“As they went out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name. They compelled this man to carry his cross. And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall, but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. And, when they had crucified him, they divided his garments among them by casting lots. Then they sat down and kept watch over him there. And over his head they put the charge against him, ‘which read, ‘This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.’ Then two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left. And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads and saying, ‘You who would destroy the temple and rebuilt it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross.’ So also the chief priests, with the scribes and elders, mocked him, saying, ‘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. He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he desires him. For said, ‘I am the Son of God.’” And the robbers who were crucified with him also reviled him in the same way.”*

Matthew 27:32-44 // He could have come down, but he stayed on the cross.

Jesus Seven Statements from the Cross:

“Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.” **Luke 23:34**

“Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.” **Luke 23:43**

“Woman, behold, your son! Then he said to the disciple, ‘Behold your mother!’”
John 19:26b-27a

“I thirst.” **John 19:28b**

“‘Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?’ that is, ‘My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?’” **Matthew 27:46b**

“Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!” **Luke 23:46**

“It is finished.” **John 19:30**

Jesus’ Death:

“When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, ‘It is finished,’ and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.” **John 19:30**

It is Finished (gk: Tetelestai): Pain in Full

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