



# (Matthew 27:26-66) Messiah On A Mission (Part 59)

“Wounded For Our  
Transgressions”

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# Romans Mock Him (27:26-30; Mark 15:16-19; John 19:16)

- With a mock coronation
- By spitting on Him— (Isaiah 50:6)
- “Hail, King of the Jews” — a parody of the greeting that was given to Caesar.
- “Scourged Him” — this followed sentencing and constituted the severest form of scourging known as the *verberatio*: a horribly cruel act in which the victim was stripped, tied to a post, and brutally beaten by multiple soldiers. The whip was known as a *flagellum* and each leather tongue had pieces of bones or metal on the end.



## Journey to Golgotha

(27:31-34)

[Mark 15:20-23;

Luke 23:26-33;

John 19:17]

- Crucifixion was a form of punishment that came to the Romans from the Persians, Phoenicians, and Carthaginians.
- Victims hung on the cross for days before dying of exhaustion, dehydration, traumatic fever, or, most likely, suffocation. When the legs would no longer support the weight of the body, the diaphragm was constricted in a way that made breathing impossible.
- The hands were nailed through the wrists, and the feet through the heel or the Achilles tendon.

- The First Three Hours on the Cross (Matthew 27:35-44; Mark 15:24-32; Luke 23:33-43; John 19:18-27)
  - "KING OF THE JEWS" Pilate had repeatedly declared Jesus to be innocent of any crime (Luke 23:4, 14–15, 22), he ordered this inscription written for Him.
  - Jesus prayed, "Father, forgive them, they know not." They were not aware of the full scope of what they were doing (Acts 13:27-28; 1 Cor. 2:8).
  - When they "Took His Garments," this was in fulfillment of Psalm 22:18.
- The Final Three Hours on The Cross: Matthew 27:45-50; Mark 15:33-37; Luke 23: 44-45; John 19:28-30)
  - "Eli, Eli, Lama Sabachthani" – Eli was in Hebrew, and the rest was in Aramaic (Mark 15:34 gives the entire wail in Aramaic). His cry is a fulfillment of Psalm 22:1, one of the many striking parallels between that Psalm and the specific events of the crucifixion.

## Witnesses of Jesus' Death (27:51-56)

- **The veil of the Temple** was torn in half (Exodus 26:31-33; 40:20–21; Leviticus 16:2; Hebrews 9:3). The tearing of the veil signified the way into God's presence now open to all three new and living ways (Hebrews 10:19–22).
- **The earthquake**
- **Dead saints**
- **The Centurion and those with him**
- **Many women**

**“The Preaching  
of the Cross  
of Christ”  
(Galatians 3:1)**

- All the uses of the term “cross” or “preaching of the cross” refer to something quite distinct from the actual procedure of crucifixion.
- The cross of Christ is seen as the saving event that radically transformed the world, providing a completely new motivation for action and thought, leading to a holy life because they look up to Him who was crucified.

Footnote:



<https://www.timesofisrael.com/in-a-stone-box-a-rare-trace-of-crucifixion/>