

“The Seven Trials Of Christ Jesus Part 2”

Mercy’s Triumph over the Darkness

I. The Six Trials of INJUSTICE.

A. The Three Corrupt RELIGIOUS Trials.

B. The Three Corrupt CIVIL Trials.

- The Trial before PILATE. *John 18:28-38*
- The Trial before HEROD. *Luke 23:6-12*
- The APPEAL before Pilate. *John 18:39-19:6*

II. The DEPOSITION of Christ from the Cross.

- “Father forgive them...” *Luke 23:35*
- “Today you will be with me in Paradise” *Luke 23:43*
- “Woman behold your son... behold your mother” *John 19:27*

III. The DARKNESS of Sin. *Luke 23:44-45 Amos 8:9-10*

Amos 8:9-10 ESV

(9) "And on that day," declares the Lord GOD, "I will make the sun go down at noon and darken the earth in broad daylight. (10) I will turn your feasts into mourning and all your songs into lamentation; I will bring sackcloth on every waist and baldness on every head; I will make it like the mourning for an only son and the end of it like a bitter day.

Luke 22:52-53 ESV

(52) Then Jesus said to the chief priests and officers of the temple and elders, who had come out against him, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs? (53) When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness."

- **ANGUISH** – “My God, My God why have you forsaken Me?”
- **AGONY** – “I thirst” *John 19:28-29*
- **ATONEMENT** – “It is finished.” *John 19:30*
- **ACCOMPLISHMENT** – “Father into your hands I commit my spirit!” *Luke 23:46*

IV. The DECISION of Heaven.

Psalms 85:9-11 ESV

(9) Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land. (10) Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other. (11) Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky.

Chronology of Jesus Crucifixion

Event	Time	Scriptures	Activities
Mocking of Jesus by Roman soldiers	6-8 AM Friday	Matt. 27:27-30; Mk. 15:16-19 Jn. 19:1-4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Purple robe, crown of thorns, mock worship, violence.
Via Dolorosa (on the way to the cross)	Before 9 AM Friday	Matt. 27:31-34; Mk. 15:20-23; Lk. 23:26-33; Jn. 19:16-17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Led Jesus to Golgotha to be crucified, Simon of Cyrene bears cross of Jesus, multitude following, prophecy of destruction of Jerusalem, two thieves crucified with Jesus
First three hours on cross	9 AM till 12 noon	Matt. 27:35-44; Mk. 15:24-32; Lk. 23:33-43; Jn. 19:18-27	<p><i>(Sayings of Jesus from the cross)</i></p> <p>(1) Repeated over and over to the Father: "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do" (Lk. 23:34).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soldiers gamble, banner of accusation, people scoffing at Jesus <p>(2) To the penitent thief: "Today, you shall be with me in Paradise" (Lk. 23:43).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family and friends around cross <p>(3) To Mary and John: "Woman, behold your son! . . . Behold your mother!" (Jn. 19:27)</p>
Three hours of darkness	Noon till 3 PM	Matt. 27:47-50; Mk. 15:33-37; Lk. 23:44-46; Jn. 19:28-30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> After three hours of darkness just before He dies Jesus said these things from the cross:: <p>(4) To the Father: "My God, My God, why have you forsaken Me?" (Mk. 15:34; Matt. 27:46).</p> <p>(5) Public: "I thirst" (Jn. 19:28).</p> <p>(6) To self: "It is finished" (Jn. 19:30).</p> <p>(7) To the Father: "Father, into Thy hands I commend my spirit" (Lk. 23:46)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jesus died about 3 PM
Phenomena accompanying Christ's death	3 PM time of death and following	Matt. 27:51-56; Mk. 15:38-41; Lk. 23:45, 47-49	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Veil of Temple torn from top to bottom Passover Lambs Sacrificed in Temple – Shofar (Ram's horn trumpet) is sounded. Earthquake & tombs opened Saints raised from the dead and appear after Jesus' resurrection Women from Galilee visit
Burial of Jesus	Between 3-6 PM Friday	Matt. 27:57-60; Mk. 15:42-46; Lk. 23:50-54; Jn. 19:31-42	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breaking of legs of two criminals Confirmed Jesus to be dead Pierced his side with spear Burial of Jesus late in afternoon before 6 PM
Women watch at the tomb	Friday 6 PM till Sat 6 PM	Matt. 27:61-66; Mk. 15:47; Lk. 23:55-56	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Women maintain their watch and rest on Sabbath, Romans soldiers guard the sealed tomb. (Note: Sabbath began at 6 PM Fri. and lasted until Sat. at 6 PM).

Isaiah 53:1-12 ESV – Responsive Reading

Leader - (1) Who has believed what he has heard from us? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

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(2) For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him.

Leader - (3) He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

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(4) Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

Leader - (5) But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed.

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(6) All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned--every one--to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

Leader - (7) He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth. (8) By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, who considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people? (9) And they made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

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(10) Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him; he has put him to grief; when his soul makes an offering for guilt, he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days; the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

Leader - (11) Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied; by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.

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(12) Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong, because he poured out his soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.