

**“Jesus Died For Us”
Luke 23:24-46
Good Friday Service 7:00 PM April 6, 2012**

“The Cross” Declares God’s Position On Sin! 2 Corinthians 5:21

“The Cross” Declares God’s Great Love! Romans 5:8

Last hours of Jesus life was filled with reaching out to the lost, still loving people to the very end.

The Crowd Surrounding The Cross Reveals The People Jesus Died For.

1. Verses 24-25 – Jesus Died For The Wicked And Religious:

Luke 23:24

Jesus Died For The Wicked – Pilate –

“And Pilate pronounced sentence” – Matt 27:19

Jesus Died For The Religious Who Are Sometimes Wicked – “their demand should be granted.”

Luke 23:25

Jesus Died For The Wicked – “released the man”: Luke 23:18, Barabbas

1 Peter 3:18

2. Verse 26 – Jesus Died For A Bystander:

Luke 23:26

“And when they (Roman Soldiers) led Him away,” – The road to Calvary is called “Via Dolorosa”; The Way of Sorrow.

“they laid hold of” can be called pressed into service – “press into public service, compel to go.”

Jesus Died For The Bystander – “Simon of Cyrene,”

Mark 15:21

Acts 13:1

Rom. 16:13

Bearing The Unexpected Cross –

Hebrews 13:12-13

3. Verses 27-31 – Jesus Died For The Misdirected:

Luke 23:27-28

Jesus Died For The Misdirected – “stop weeping for Me, but weep for yourselves and for your children.”

Jesus declares that the pitiful ones were the women themselves.

Reason: Jesus Is To Be Applauded Because Jesus Is Doing The Will Of God: “The Substitution” Luke 9:51

Reason: Jesus Is Bearing The Cross Out Of Choice. John 10:18

Reason: Jesus Forbids Their Tears Because Jesus Is Living Victoriously. John 16:33

Luke 23:29-30

Heb. 2:3

Luke 23:31

1 Peter 2:24-25

4. Verses 32-46 – Jesus Died For Criminals And Onlookers:

Luke 23:32-33

“the place called The Skull,” – Hebrew – “Place of the skull” (Aramaic – Golgotha), Latin – “Calvaria” we get “Calvary”

Jesus Died For Criminals – “there they crucified Him and the criminals,”

Is. 53:12

Luke 23:34-35

Jesus Died For Onlookers – “people stood by, looking on. And even the rulers were sneering at Him,”

Luke 23:36-38

John 19:20

Written in Hebrew – or Aramaic was the religious language of the people.
The Religious Rejected Jesus Christ:

Written in Greek – This was referred to as the Gentile (pagan) cultural language. The Gentiles Ignored Jesus Christ:

Written in Latin – Was the official language of Roman Empire. The Romans Executed Jesus Christ:

Luke 23:39-40

What brought this hardened criminal to his senses? Luke 23:34 Isa 53:12

Luke 23:41

A Rare Scene – Mark of true repentance is seeing our sin, guilt, not blaming or excusing; Seeing God's holiness!

Luke 23:42

The Sinner Did Not Care What Others Thought Of Him:

Luke 23:43-45

Mark 15:38

All have access through faith to Jesus!

Luke 23:46

2 Corinthians 5:15

Application:

1. All Humanity Stands Guilty Before God: Rom. 3:23
2. Our Sin Has Earned Us Death: Rom. 6:23
3. Jesus Loves Us And Paid The Price For Our Sins On The Cross: Rom. 5:8
4. Salvation Is The Result Of Repentance And Faith In Jesus Christ: Rom. 10:9-10