

Series "The God Who Serves"
"The Cross Of Jesus"
Mark 15:22-32
Study-65

The Scriptures Mention 3 Specific Times:

- 1. Mark 15:25 – 3rd Hour (9:00 AM), Jesus was crucified.**
- 2. Mark 15:33 – 6th Hour (12:00 PM), Jesus was separated from the Father.**
- 3. Mark 15:34 – 9th Hour (3:00 PM), Jesus gave His life.**

There are "Seven Saying's Of Christ On The Cross". Mark only records one of Jesus' sayings, Mark 15:34.

This passage is recorded in all 4 Gospels: Matt. 27:33-44; Mark 15:22–32; Luke 23:33-43; John 19:17-29

Isaiah 53:10

The Thought Of Our Passage: "It Was Not The Nails That Held Jesus To The Cross But His Unquenchable Love For You And Me."

1. Verses 22-26 – The Crucifixion

2. Verses 27-28 – The Criminals

3. Verses 29-32 – The Crowd

1. Verses 22-26 – The Crucifixion:

Mark 15:22

"And they brought Him to the place" – The context is Mark 15:20-21

"to the place Golgotha," – Hebrew – "place of the skull"; Latin – "Calvaria"; we get "Calvary", which is outside the city gates. Luke 23:33

Pictures Of Gordon's Calvary – Gordon's Calvary after Charles Gordon

Mark 15:23

"wine with myrrh;" – Sedative; kind of mild narcotic that could ease the pain.

Jews requested this based on this passage. Prov. 31:6

Jesus Wanted To Drink The Cup That The Father Had Given To Him: It's full strength without help from the world; He would do it by the Spirit.

Jesus Was Going To Be Ministering In His Death.

Mark 15:24

"And they crucified Him," – (4 Words Only)

Crucifixion – The authors of the gospels knew full well what this involved. It was shameful in that culture to even talk about it. Roman law said women were not to be present.

1. The Person Was Naked On The Cross: "divided up His garments among themselves," – Jesus' cloths were taken from Him.
2. The Cross Was Laid On The Ground And The Person Was Nailed To It.
3. Crucifixion Caused The Blood To Gather In The Abdomen, Causing Great Pain. The person would have to push up the body to get air into the lungs.
4. The Person Would Become Dehydrated. Hot sun with the cracking of the lips, swollen tongue, the body fevered.

Psalms 22:16-18 – 1000 years before.

Philippians 3:9

Mark 15:25

And it was the third hour Mark is based on the Hebrew. That makes it 9:00 AM.

Mark 15:26

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 Killed Jesus Christ.

Jesus was King at birth (Matthew 2:2)

Jesus was declared King at the Passion Week (John 12:13)

Jesus said He was King before Pilate (John 18:36-37)

Jesus' inscription on the cross said He was King (Mark 15:26)

Jesus will return to earth as the King (Revelation 19:12-16)

2. Verses 27-28 – The Criminals:

Mark 15:27

“two robbers,” – “robbers are thieves who steal through force” or two thieves.

Mark 15:28

Is. 53:12

Ps. 85:10

Gal. 3:13

3. Verses 29-32 – The Crowd:

Mark 15:29

Verses 29-30 – The Spectators: And those passing by were hurling abuse at Him, “were blaspheming Him” (Speaking against God, God mocked in His Son)

“wagging their heads, and saying, ‘Ha!’” – (Aha!)

John 2:19

Mark 14:57-59

Spectators – Mocking Jesus For Being A False Prophet.

Mark 15: 30

Spectators – Jesus Save Yourself: “save Yourself, and come down from the cross!”

Verses 31-32 – The Sanhedrin: The Mark 15: 31

Sanhedrin Mocking Jesus For Being A False Prophet: “chief priests also, along with the scribes, were mocking {Him} among themselves”

Luke 23: 35

Sanhedrin Acknowledge Jesus’ Miraculous Power: “saying, ‘He saved others; (Don’t deny His miracles) He cannot save Himself.’”

He must die that others might live! Meaning of His death: “Mighty Servant is giving His life a ransom for many”, Mark 10:45.

“He cannot save Himself.” – It is not that He Cannot but Would Not. If Jesus was to be our atonement for sin, He Would Not come down from the cross.

Mark 15: 32

“so that we may see and believe!” – Literally “they make a promise if Jesus comes down they will believe.”

Luke 16: 27-31

Verse 32 – The Robbers: “And those who were crucified with Him were casting the same insult at Him.” Luke 23: 39-43

We have a genuine “Death Bed Conversion”

Application:

The Homily of the Passion says, “Let this image of Christ crucified be always printed in our hearts. Let it stir us up to the hatred of sin, and provoke our minds to the earnest love of Almighty God.”

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2. Let It Stir Us Up To The Hatred Of Sin.
3. Provoke Our Minds To The Earnest Love Of Almighty God.