

Series "The Seven Words"
"The Word Of Contentment"
Luke 23:46
Word-7

Luke 23:44-49

7th Word – "The Word of Contentment." Luke 23:46 – "Father, INTO YOUR HANDS I COMMIT MY SPIRIT."

1st Word – "Forgiveness," **Luke 23:34.**

2nd Word – "The Word of Salvation," **Luke 23:43.**

3rd Word – "The Word of Affection," **John 19:26-27.**

4th Word – "The Word of Anguish," **Matthew 27:46.**

5th Word – "The Word of Suffering," **John 19:28.**

6th Word – "The of Victory," **John 19:30.**

7th Word – "The Word Of Contentment," Luke 23:46.

Thought Of The Passage: "Jesus Died Confidently, Knowing That In His Relationship With God, He Could Confidently Entrust His Spirit To God."

1. Jesus Actually Died

2. Jesus Confidently Died

3. Jesus Willingly Died

4. Jesus Victoriously Died

1. Jesus Actually Died: Luke 23:46 – This Final Word Is A Prayer! We should note that the first Word from the cross was addressed to the "**Father.**" 1st Word – "Forgiveness," **Luke 23:34** – "**Father,**"

Now this final Word closes with the "**Father.**" **Luke 23:46** – "**Father,**"

John 10:18

Luke 23:46 – "He breathed His last." – Jesus really and actually died, Matthew 27:50.

Mark 15:37-39, 44-45; John 19:30-34

God, in His foresight, recorded in great details the Death of Jesus: Jesus did not "Swoon;" "to faint; lose consciousness."

Luke 23:46 – "He breathed His last." Jesus died – Death – "the end of life; the total and permanent cessation of all the vital functions of an organism."

Death – simply means “separation;” the soul and the spirit are separated from the body.”

“MY SPIRIT.” – The spirit is the highest part of us. Animals have souls but only people have spirits that give us the ability to fellowship with God, 1 Thessalonians 5:23.

At Death, Our Spirit Departs; But To Where? For the believer, our spirit goes to God, the light of eternal day, 2 Corinthians 5:8.

For the nonbeliever, their spirit goes to the darkness of eternal night, Luke 16:22-24.

The Believer – It is called sleep, John 11:11-14.

1 Thessalonians 4:14; 1 Corinthians 11:30

Jesus did not sleep; Jesus really died; Jesus had to die in order to taste death for us! Hebrews 2:9

2. Jesus Confidently Died: Luke 23:46 – “Father, INTO YOUR HANDS I COMMIT MY SPIRIT.” This speaks of Jesus’ confidence in God, His Father.

The Father’s Presence: “Father” – Jesus had the Father’s Presence with Him on the cross. Jesus addressed His Father 3X while on the cross. 1st Word – “Forgiveness,” Luke 23:34 – “Father,”

4th Word – “The Word of Anguish,” Matthew 27:46 – “MY GOD, MY GOD,”

7th Word – “The Word Of Contentment,” Luke 23:46 – “Father,”

Luke 2:49 – “I had to be in My Father’s house?”

The Sermon On The Mount, Matthew 5-7, Jesus addressed God as “Father” 15X. In the Upper Room, John 17, He called Him “Father” 5X. Jesus was confident in the presence of the Father.

Psalms 23:4

The Father’s Promise: Luke 23:46.

“Father, INTO YOUR HANDS” – The power of the hands, Matthew 26:45.

“INTO YOUR HANDS I COMMIT MY SPIRIT.” – This last Word from the Cross is in fact a quotation from Psalm 31.

This Psalm gives a promise! You can live by God's Word; we can also confidently die by God's Word.

Psalm 31:1-5

Jesus applied this promise to Himself! Jesus added "Father." Jesus omitted "You have ransomed (Redeemed) me, O LORD, God of truth."

Psalm 31:14-15

All three Word's from the cross that are prayers addressed to God are all tied to Scripture.

1st Word – "Forgiveness" Luke 23:34; Isaiah 53:12.

4th Word – "The Word of Anguish," Matthew 27:46; Psalm 22:1.

7th Word – "The Word Of Contentment," Luke 23:46; Psalm 31:5.

Jesus lived by God's Word! If we live by God's Word, we can also die by God's Word!

What assurance do we have that we will experience confidence in death? The only assurance we have is the Word of God! Father's presence and the Father's promise! Revelation 1:17-18.

"Men Usually Die As They Live."

The first Christian martyr, Stephen, left this life with the same security of Jesus Christ: Acts 7:59-60; 2 Timothy 1:12.

The Father's Protection.

Matthew 17:22-23

Luke 24:7

Psalm 31:8, 15; Hebrews 10:31

3. Jesus Willingly Died: Luke 23:46 – "I COMMIT MY SPIRIT." The word "commit" – "I render up or lay down." Jesus lays down His life. He is in complete control.

Jesus, the Lamb, led to the slaughter: Acts 2:23.

Jesus Was Not A Victim But He Died Willingly: John 10:17-18.

In the Old Testament, no sacrifice ever died willingly, Romans 12:1-2.

Jesus' death was an act of personal decision, a choice He made.
Matthew 27:50 – “yielded up His spirit.” “He yielded up or dismissed His spirit.” Jesus in complete control.

Jesus was always in control, John 19:10-11.

4. Jesus Victoriously Died: Luke 23:46

Jesus accomplished all that the Father had for Him.

John 10:27-28

Application:

1. Jesus Actually Died: The Gospel Accounts Are Extremely Clear That Jesus Physically Died, And His Death Was Necessary Because Jesus Died For Our Sins.
2. Jesus Confidently Died: We Too Can Die Like Jesus With The Assurance That God Is In Control. That Means That We Will Die According To His Will.
3. Jesus Willingly Died: Jesus Quoted God's Word. If We Live By God's Word, We Can Also Confidently Die By Gods Word.
4. Jesus Victoriously Died: Jesus Accomplished All That The Father Had Called For Jesus To Do.