

Revelation Transition From sermon 4.14.19

Read Psalm 22:1-8 & 9-18

Questions, Answers, and Review from Sunday's sermon: to the believer, the cross is both horrifying and beautiful at the same time. Although the most improbable/illogical event in history, it was absolutely necessary in God's redemptive plan. Numerous scriptures had to be fulfilled. It set up the Resurrection. The cross fully paid our sin debt.

Review and discuss the Old Testament Passover. See *Exodus 12:3-7 & 13-14* Was it was divinely ordained that Jesus would die on the Passover? *Matthew 26:2, John 1:29, & 1 Corinthians 5:7*

How is Jesus our once and final Passover Lamb? <u>He is the final, full payment. Nothing can be added to the cross or to the payment of sin. His blood is now covering our sin and death passes over us.</u>

See also *Revelation 5:6a*

Because of this fact, what point was made on Sunday about what ultimately killed Jesus? <u>That He did not die (as tradition holds) from asphyxiation on the cross. But, instead, bled out and died from exsanguination...just as a Passover lamb.</u>

Why was so significant that Jesus was executed by crucifixion? The Jewish method of execution was stoning. It was Rome who crucified. It's amazing that the Holy Spirit had David write about death by hanging/piercing 1000 years before Jesus came...there was no Rome then!

Check out these other prophetic and Messianic scriptures. Note what each foretold about Christ's atoning death.

Isaiah 53:5—Messiah would be whipped/scourged before death

Zechariah 12:10—Messiah would be pierced, not stoned

Psalm 69:21—He would be offered gall/vinegar for drink

Psalm 34:20—none of His bones would be broken

Isaiah 53:9—Messiah would be buried in a rich man's grave (tomb)

Why did Jesus institute the Lord's Supper? What is its meaning and purpose? <u>Jesus' death established the New Covenant and ended the Old (the Law)</u>. The Lord's Supper is an act of symbolic remembrance for the great price and grace that reconciled sinful man and holy God. It also included the Gentiles (non-Jews) into the Covenant. We partake of it to confirm our faith and trust in the completed work on the cross, to show our appreciation for the price He paid, and to proclaim His sacrificial death until He comes again.

What does the Lord's Supper mean to you personally? <u>Various personal answers</u>

What did Jesus mean when He said (in the Gospels) that believers needed to deny themselves, take up their cross daily, and follow Him? Because He saved us, our lives are not our own any longer. We must daily die to both our sin and our agenda. We die to our old selves. It required, we die rather than deny the faith. See also *Galatians 2:20*