

Mark 15:21-32

Responding to Christ and Him Crucified

1.

- See:
 - one event after another - historical record, their emotions aren't given
 - all kinds of people from different parts of this society are spoken about
 - this was all in God's foreknowledge and therefore He works it all according to His good purposes.
- Ask:
 - how this event relates to ourselves here in this moment in our day
 - & more specifically, *what is my response to Christ and Him crucified?*

2.

Read Mark 15:21-32

"Then they compelled a certain man, Simon a Cyrenian, the father of Alexander and Rufus, as he was coming out of the country and passing by, to bear His cross.

And they brought Him to the place Golgotha, which is translated, Place of a Skull.

Then they gave Him wine mingled with myrrh to drink, but He did not take [it].

And when they crucified Him, they divided His garments, casting lots for them [to determine] what every man should take.

Now it was the third hour, and they crucified Him.

And the inscription of His accusation was written above: THE KING OF THE JEWS.

With Him right and the other on His left.

So the Scripture was fulfilled which says, "And He was numbered with the transgressors."

And those who passed by blasphemed Him, wagging their heads and saying, "Aha! [You] who destroy the temple and build [it] in three days,

"save Yourself, and come down from the cross!"

Likewise the chief priests also, mocking among themselves with the scribes, said, "He saved others; Himself He cannot save.

"Let the Christ, the King of Israel, descend now from the cross, that we may see and believe." Even those who were crucified with Him reviled Him."

3.

v.21 Simon the Cyrene

"Then they compelled a certain man, Simon a Cyrenian, the father of Alexander and Rufus, as he was coming out of the country and passing by, to bear His cross."

[[Rom 16:13](#) NKJV] "Greet Rufus, chosen in the Lord, and his mother and mine."

[[Mar 8:34](#) NIV] "Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me."

4.

v.22 Golgotha

"And they brought Him to the place Golgotha, which is translated, Place of a Skull."

Jews - Golgota / Romans - Calvary / Today's English - Place of the Skull

Significant that Jesus died outside the city

[[Heb 13:11-13](#) CSB] "For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the most holy place by the high priest as a sin offering are burned outside the camp. Therefore, Jesus also suffered outside the gate, so that he might sanctify the people by his own blood. Let us then go to him outside the camp, bearing his disgrace."

5.

v.23-24 Soldiers who crucified Jesus

“Then they gave Him wine mingled with myrrh to drink, but He did not take [it]. And when they crucified Him, they divided His garments, casting lots for them [to determine] what every man should take.”

[[Mat 27:34](#) CSB] “they gave him wine mixed with gall to drink. But when he tasted it, he refused to drink it.”

[v.24 - Soldiers Divided His garments](#) — see also [John 19:23-25a](#)

[[Psa 22:18](#) NKJV] “They divide My garments among them, And for My clothing they cast lots.”

6.

v.25 Jesus was crucified

“Now it was the third hour, and they crucified Him.”

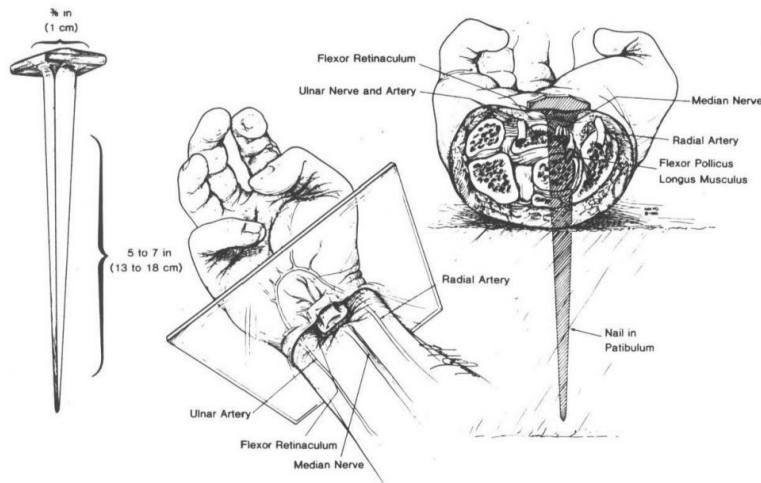
1. **now it was the 3rd hour** = 9am

1. **Another quick side:** John 19 - said this last Sunday (12 when Pilate made decision) Mark shows Jesus on the cross at 9am-3pm.

1. www.bible.org “Time of Jesus’ death” long in depth article on it if interested.

2. **and they crucified Him.**

[[Psa 22:14-17](#) NKJV] “I am poured out like water, And all My bones are out of joint; My heart is like wax; It has melted within Me. 15 My strength is dried up like a potsherd, And My tongue clings to My jaws; You have brought Me to the dust of death. 16 For dogs have surrounded Me; The congregation of the wicked has enclosed Me. They pierced My hands and My feet; 17 I can count all My bones. They look and stare at Me.”

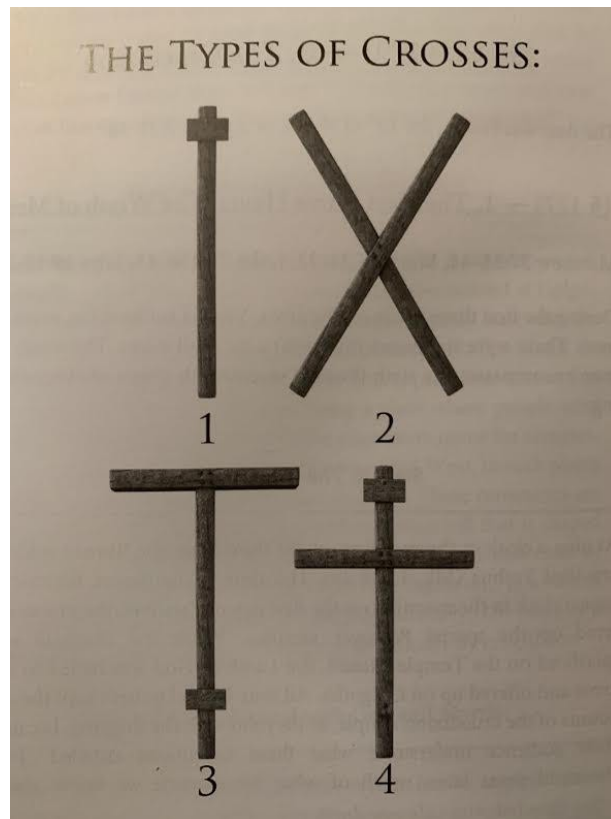


7.

v.26 Inscription

“And the inscription of His accusation was written above: THE KING OF THE JEWS.”

Romans take a piece of wood or parchment, & like a plaque, scribe the accusation and nail it to the cross — (inserted cross - above the head) — “titulus”



John 19:19-20

“Now Pilate wrote a title and put [it] on the cross. And the writing was: JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS.

Then many of the Jews read this title, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, Greek, [and] Latin.”

Hebrew for the Jews; **Latin** for the Romans; **Greek** for everyone else

8.

v.27-28 Criminals crucified with Jesus

“With Him they also crucified two robbers, one on His right and the other on His left. So the Scripture was fulfilled which says, “And He was numbered with the transgressors.”

[[Isa 53:12](#) NKJV] Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the great, And He shall divide the spoil with the strong, Because He poured out His soul unto death, And He was numbered with the transgressors, And He bore the sin of many, And made intercession for the transgressors.

9.

v.29-30 Public mocking

“And those who passed by blasphemed Him, wagging their heads and saying, “Aha! [You] who destroy the temple and build [it] in three days,
“save Yourself, and come down from the cross!”

[[Psa 22:13, 17](#) NKJV] “They gape at Me with their mouths, Like a raging and roaring lion”. ... “I can count all My bones. They look and stare at Me.”

10.

v.31-32 Jewish leaders mocking

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11.

Christ and Him crucified

The one event for all mankind to respond to

[[1Co 1:23-24](#) KJV] But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumbling-block, and unto the Greeks foolishness; But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God.

How will I respond to Christ and Him crucified?