





The King of the Jews

- The LORD said to Samuel, “Listen to the voice of the people . . . , for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected Me from being king over them” (1Sam. 8:7).
- When he sits on the throne of his kingdom, [the King] shall write for himself a copy of this law on a scroll in the presence of the Levitical priests (Deut. 17:18).

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- The LORD is king forever and ever (Psalm 10:16).
- Jesus was and is the true King of the Jews.
- “Blessed are You, Lord our God, King of the universe” (a modern Jewish prayer).

Pilate Washes His Hands

- When Pilate saw that . . . a riot was starting, he took water and washed his hands in front of the crowd, saying, “I am innocent of this Man's blood; see to that yourselves” (Matthew 27:24).



Jesus of Nazareth The King of the Jews



Jewish vs. Roman Time

- Jewish: 6 to 6 (sundown to sundown)
- Roman: 12 to 12 (like our time)
- Pilate sentenced Jesus “about” the 6th hour = 6 or 6:30 am (John 19:14, Roman time)
- They began His crucifixion at the 3rd hour = 9 am (Mark 15:25, Jewish time).

Jewish vs. Roman Time

- “When the sixth hour came, darkness fell over the whole land until the ninth hour” = noon to 3pm (Mark 15:33, Jewish time).
- At the 9th hour He died = 3 pm (Mark 15:34-37, Jewish time).

Jesus’ Sufferings

- 19:1—scourged
- 19:3—mocked, hit in the face; Matthew adds spitting and extreme thirst.
- 19:16—crucified (nails, spear), difficulty breathing, raw back against rough wood
- 19:23—naked (humiliation and cold)

WOMEN AT THE CROSS

Matthew 27:56	Mark 15:40-41	Luke 23:49	John 19:25
		women from Galilee	Mary, Jesus' mother
Mary Magdalene	Mary Magdalene		Mary Magdalene
Mary, mother of James & Joseph	Mary, mother of James the Less & Joses		Mary, wife of Clopas
mother of the sons of Zebedee	Salome		His mother's sister

LAST WORDS

1. Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do (Luke 23:34).
2. Today you will be with Me in Paradise (Luke 23:43).
3. Behold your son; behold your mother (John 19:26-27).

LAST WORDS

4. My God, my God, why have You forsaken Me? (Matthew 27:46).
5. I thirst (John 19:28).
6. It is finished (John 19:30).
7. Father, into Your hands I commit My spirit (Luke 23:46).

The Preeminence of the Cross

- “God forbid that I should boast, except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ” (Gal. 6:14).
- “I determined to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and Him crucified” (1 Cor. 2:2).

The Preeminence of the Cross

- “For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures” (1 Cor. 15:3).
- The fact that Jesus died on the cross is history; the fact that He died for our sins is the gospel (good news).

Why was Jesus’ death necessary?

- Sin is serious.
- We are all sinners. If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves and the truth is not in us (1John 1:8).
- Sin makes us unfit for eternal life. “For You are not a God who takes pleasure in wickedness, Nor shall evil dwell with You” (Psalm 5:4).

Why was Jesus’ death necessary?

- God is holy and just, yet He also loves us.
- His love and His justice met at the cross.
- He made the one who did not know sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God (2 Cor. 5:12).

*“I have been crucified with Christ;
and it is no longer I who live, but
Christ lives in me; and the life which
I now live in the flesh I live by faith
in the Son of God, who loved ME and
gave Himself up for ME.”*

Galatians 2:20