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Jesus and the Cross, Part 1

John 19:17-22

I. The Crucifixion of Jesus (vv. 17-18)

A. Jesus went _____ of the city (v. 17a)
[Num 15:36; Ex. 29:14; Heb. 13:11-13; Heb. 11:23-27]

B. Jesus _____ His own cross (v. 17b)
[Gen. 22:6, 13-14; 2 Chr. 3:1; Mk. 15:21; Lk. 9:23]

C. Jesus was brought to _____ (v. 17c)
[1 Pet. 3:18]

D. Jesus was _____ (v. 18a)
[Gen. 3:15; Num. 21:6-9; Jn. 3:14-15; Isa. 53:12]

E. Jesus was between two _____ (v. 18b)
[Lk. 23:39-43]

II. The Inscription on the Placard (vv. 19-22)

A. Pilate's _____ (v. 19) [Jn. 1:46]

B. God's _____ (v. 20)
[Gen. 11; Rev. 19:16; Heb. 1:1-4; Ps. 24; 1 Cor. 9:21; Gal. 6:2]

C. The Jew's _____ (vv. 21-22)
[Ex. 4:11-12; Jer. 1:6-7]

TAKE HOME

- Are you willing to go to Jesus outside the camp and bear the reproach He endured?
- Are you willing to deny yourself, take up your cross daily, and follow Christ?
- Are you using your words and your influence with those around you to proclaim Jesus is King?

STUDY QUESTIONS

James 1:22 says, *“But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.”* These questions are designed to help you apply today’s message to your life. We encourage you to thoughtfully answer these questions and discuss your answers with others. For more information about joining a small group that uses these questions as the basis for discussion, prayer, and accountability, please visit our website at placeritachurch.com.

1. Read John 19:17. What is the significance of Jesus being crucified outside of the gate? What principle can we learn from that truth? (Num. 15:36; Ex. 29:14; Heb. 13:11-13; Heb. 11:23-27)

2. Read Gen. 22:6, 13-14; 2 Chr. 3:1; Mk. 15:21; Lk. 9:23. How do these passages help us realize the significance of Jesus taking up His own cross and us taking up ours?

3. Read John 19:18. Why do you think the Bible doesn’t dwell on more details of the crucifixion? Now look at Gen. 3:15; Num. 21:6-9; Jn. 3:14-15; Isa. 53:12. How does the cross fulfill these prophecies?

4. Read Luke 23:39-43. What lessons can we learn from this passage?

5. Read John 19:19. Why do you think Pilate wrote what he did on the placard? How does John 1:46 add to the drama?

6. Read John 19:20. What is the significance of this being written in these three languages? (Gen. 11; Rev. 19:16; Heb. 1:1-4; Ps. 24; 1 Cor. 9:21; Gal. 6:2)

7. Read John 19:21. Why did the Jews want to take it down? Do you believe that God used this inscription in the heart of the thief who got saved? Can God use your words to impact others? (Ex. 4:11-12; Jer. 1:6-7)

8. Read the take home questions. Which one challenges you or encourages you the most? Why? How will you live differently this week based on what you have learned from this passage?

“Just as Christian came up to the Cross, his burden loosed from off his shoulders, fell from off his back, and began to tumble down the hill, and so it continued to do till it came to the mouth of the sepulchre. There it fell in, and I saw it no more!”

- John Bunyan, *Pilgrim’s Progress*