



**Do this in remembrance of me**

**Who is responsible  
for the death of  
Jesus Christ?**

**Isaac Watts** asked, “Was it for crimes that I had done?’ he groaned upon the tree...”

**Charles Gabriel** reflected on the truth that, “He took our sins and our sorrows; He made them His very own.”

**Charles Wesley** exclaimed, “Died He for me who caused His pain; for me, who Him to death pursued.”

---

**“He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross...” (I Peter 2:24).**

**“For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God” (I Peter 3:18).**

## Isaiah 53

“He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him.

- He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering.
- Like one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.
- He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth.

- Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted.
- But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed.
- We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

- By oppression and judgment he was taken away. And who can speak of his descendants?
- For he was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgression of my people he was stricken.
- He was assigned a grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death, though he had done no violence, nor was any deceit in his mouth.

- Yet it was the Lord's will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the Lord makes his life a guilt offering, he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the Lord will prosper in his hand.
- After the suffering of his soul, he will see the light and be satisfied;

- Therefore I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors.
- For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.”



**Who is  
responsible  
for the  
death of  
Jesus Christ?**

# Judas Iscariot

- “Satan entered Judas, .... And Judas went to the chief priests and the officers of the temple guard and discussed with them how he might betray Jesus” (Luke 22:3).
- Judas betrayed and sold Him but later said, “I have sinned, for I have betrayed innocent blood” (Matthew 27:4).

# The Religious Leaders

- “His blood be on our hands and on the hands of our children” (Matthew 25:27).
- “Then the chief priests and the elders of the people assembled in the palace of the high priest, whose name was Caiaphas, and they schemed to arrest Jesus secretly and kill him” (Matthew 26:3-4).
- “Early in the morning, all the chief priests and the elders of the people made their plans how to have Jesus executed. So they bound him, led him away and handed him over to Pilate the governor” (Matthew 27:1-2).

## The leaders of Rome

“Do you refuse to speak to me?” Pilate said. “Don’t you realize I have power either to free you or to crucify you?” ... “Finally Pilate handed him over to them to be crucified” (John 19:10,16).

“the governor’s soldiers took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole company of soldiers around him. They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, and then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand. Then they knelt in front of him and mocked him. “Hail, king of the Jews!” they said. They spit on him, and took the staff and struck him on the head again and again. After they had mocked him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him” (Matthew 27:27-31).

# God our Father

- But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. “God did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all” (Romans 5:8; 8:32).
- “This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins” (1 John 4:9-10).
- “God made Jesus, who had no sin, to be sin for us, so that in Him we might have right standing with God in Him” (2 Corinthians 5:21).

# Jesus our Savior

- “I am the living bread that came down from heaven. ... This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world” (John 6:51).
- “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ... No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again” (John 10:11,18).

# I Corinthians 11:23-26

- “For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, “This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me.”
- In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.” For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes”

## **A convergence of participants**

- “Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. This man was handed over to you **by God’s deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death** by nailing him to the cross” (Acts 2:22-23).
- “Indeed Herod and Pontius Pilate met together with the Gentiles and the people of Israel in this city to conspire against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed. **They did what your power and will had decided beforehand should happen**” (Acts 4:27-28).



- “For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him” (John 3:16-17).
- “For my Father’s will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day” (John 6:37-40).

## **Ephesians 4:32; 5:1-2**

- “Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.”
- “Follow God’s example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.”