

# Jesus Speaking from the Cross!

John 19:23 Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments, and made four parts, to every soldier a part; and also *his* coat: now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout. 24 They said therefore among themselves, Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it

shall be: that **the scripture might**

**be fulfilled,** which saith, They parted my raiment

among them, and for my vesture they did cast lots. These things therefore the soldiers did. 25 Now there stood by the cross of Jesus his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the *wife* of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene. 26 When Jesus

therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by, whom he loved, **he saith unto his mother, Woman,**

**behold thy son!** 27 Then saith he to the disciple,

**Behold thy mother!** And from that hour that disciple

took her unto his own *home*. 28 After this, Jesus knowing that

**all things were now accomplished,** that the

# scripture might be fulfilled,

saith, **I thirst.** 29 Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and they filled a sponge with vinegar, and put *it* upon hyssop, and put *it* to his mouth. 30 When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, **It is finished:** and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.

1. Jesus showed mercy even from the cross to those that crucified Him [Luke 23:34](#) Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots.
  - a. Obviously Jesus and the Father are still on speaking terms
  - b. Jesus ask for forgiveness because they didn't realize what they were doing
  - c. It was the Father that would forgive
  - d. How much should I learn about forgiving from my Savior. Our problem isn't really with people [Ephesians 6:12](#) For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the

darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high *places*.

e. Vengeance is never ours to seek **Romans 12:19** Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but *rather* give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance *is* mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. **20** Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. **21** Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

2. He spoke salvation to a new believer on the cross

**Luke 23:39** And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on him, saying, If thou be Christ, save thyself and us. **40** But the other answering rebuked him, saying, **Dost not thou fear God**, seeing thou art in the same condemnation? **41** And we indeed justly; for **we receive the due reward of our deeds**: but this man hath **done nothing amiss**. **42** And he said unto Jesus, **Lord**, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom. **43** And Jesus said unto him, **Verily I say unto thee, To day shalt thou be with me in paradise**.

a. The thief realized that Jesus was who He said He was.

- b. The thief realized that He fully deserved His punishment
- c. He knew that Jesus did not deserve His punishment
- d. He knew that Jesus was God, Lord
- e. He knew that Jesus was going to His kingdom
- f. Jesus promised Him that he would be with Jesus that very day
- g. Great promises for us about when we die
  - i. Our sins are forgiven
  - ii. We will go directly to His presence II Corinthians 5:6

Therefore *we are* always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at **home in the body, we are absent from the Lord:** 7 (For we walk by faith, not by sight:) 8 We are confident, *I say*, and **willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.**

- iii. To depart for the Christian is to be with Christ  
Philippians 1:21 *For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.* 22 *But if I live in the flesh, this is the fruit of my labour: yet what I shall choose I wot not.* 23 *For I am in a strait betwixt two, **having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better:*** 24

Nevertheless to abide in the flesh *is* more needful for you.

3. He cared for His mother even as He died [John 19:25-27](#)

Now there stood by the cross of Jesus his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the *wife* of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene. [26](#) When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by, whom he loved, he saith unto his mother, **Woman, behold thy son!** [27](#) Then saith he to the disciple, **Behold thy mother!** And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own *home*.

- a. God's people are to honor their father and their mother and Jesus does just that even on the cross of Calvary
- b. Notice that Jesus chooses John to care for His mother rather than one of His brothers or sisters. We are not sure why but it could be that the family was still unbelieving and He preferred a believer to a non family member unbeliever
- c. John loved Jesus enough to take on extra responsibility from that moment forward
- d. Can we learn two things from this
  - i. We should love, honor, and care for our parents

- ii. We should serve others at great expense and discomfort to ourselves
  - e. It is interesting that Jesus made no special announcement about the greatness of His mother from the cross because Mary is never the center of attention in the Scriptures, but Jesus is
4. He made it clear to us the great price He was paying for our salvation **Mark 15:33-34** **And when the sixth hour was come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. 34** **And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani? which is, being interpreted, **My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?****
- a. Some of the most tragic words from the cross but do not forget why He says this **Isaiah 53:4** **Surely he hath borne our griefs, And carried our sorrows:** Yet we did esteem him stricken, **Smitten of God, and afflicted. 5** **But he was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities:** The chastisement of our peace was upon him; And with **his stripes we are healed. 6** All we like sheep have gone astray; We have

turned every one to his own way; And **the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.** [53:10](#) Yet it **pleased the Lord to bruise him**; he hath put *him* to grief: When thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, He shall see *his seed*, he shall prolong *his days*, And the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in his hand.

- i. He was carrying our griefs and sorrows
  - ii. We saw God smite and afflict Him
  - iii. He was wounded for our transgressions and bruised for our iniquities
  - iv. His stripes healed us
  - v. The Lord laid our sins on Him
  - vi. God was pleased to bruise Him
- b. Remember that Jesus is the author of salvation  
[Hebrews 12:2](#) Looking unto Jesus the **author and finisher** of *our* faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.
- c. God was in Christ that day [II Corinthians 5:18](#) And all things *are* of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation; [19](#) To wit, that God was in Christ,

reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.

- d. God forsook His Son so that He would not have to forsake you
  - e. Salvation is a God thing, it is what He did and not what we do
5. He showed His humanity and His desire that all Scripture be fulfilled **John 19:28** After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled, saith, **I thirst.**
- a. Jesus was God in human flesh. He suffers here as a human.
  - b. This was no fake suffering
  - c. But not only do we know that He is suffering but He makes sure to fulfill all Scripture
  - d. Notice that He knew that all had been accomplished just like He and the Father had written in the Word.
  - e. Even suffering and dying He is in charge and makes sure to fulfill Scripture

6. He made it clear that all had been done to pay for our sins  
**John 19:30** When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, **It is finished:** and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.
- a. It is finished. He has died once and completed it all  
**Hebrews 9:12** Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having **obtained eternal redemption for us.**
  - b. He put away sin **Hebrews 9:26** For then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now **once in the end** of the world hath he appeared **to put away sin** by the sacrifice of himself.
  - c. He did it all in one time **Hebrews 10:12** But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God;
  - d. **Hebrews 12:2** Looking unto Jesus the **author and finisher** of *our* faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.
  - e. There is nothing for you add to salvation. It is done. It is finished. It is a free gift for you to receive and nothing for you to pay **Ephesians 2:8-9** For by grace are ye saved

through faith; and that not of yourselves: *it is* the gift of God: 9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.

7. He showed that all was right between Him and the Father and that He controlled His life even on the cross [Luke 23:46](#)  
And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, **Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit:** and having said thus, he gave up the ghost.
  - a. There is no bad attitude between Jesus and the Father
  - b. Jesus commends His spirit back to the Father
  - c. Notice that Jesus was God on the cross and in full control of what was happening to Him
  - d. He is no helpless victim but a victorious Savior
  - e. Jesus had done all that needed done. He had honored God the Father all this time. The work is finished. Jesus returns to the Father from where He came
  - f. Jesus was God in human flesh