

INTRODUCTION:

1. GOD RESPONDED TO JESUS' DEATH BY TEARING OPEN THE VEIL OF THE TEMPLE (27:51a).

a. God tore the veil of the temple from top to bottom.

(1) Inner veil that separated the Holy Place from the Most Holy Place (Holy of holies)

(2) Outer veil that separated the Holy Place from the outer court

b. What is the meaning of torn veil?

(1) a sign of the coming destruction of the temple in AD 70

(2) a new way into the presence of God was now a reality

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2. GOD RESPONDED TO JESUS' DEATH WITH AN EARTHQUAKE (27:51:b).
3. GOD RESPONDED TO JESUS' DEATH BY SPLITTING THE ROCKS (27:51c).
4. GOD RESPONDED TO JESUS' DEATH BY OPENING GRAVES (27:52-53).
 - a. The earthquake tore open the graves of some OT saints.
 - b. What is the meaning of the open graves?
5. THE CENTURION RESPONDS TO JESUS' DEATH (27:54).
6. THE FAITHFUL WOMEN DISCIPLES WATCHED JESUS' DEATH FROM A DISTANCE (27:55-56).

CONCLUSION: