

## QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. What would be required for one to earn his salvation?
2. Can we do anything to assist Christ in accomplishing our salvation?
3. Is it degrading to the dignity of many to accept the sacrifice of another for his salvation?
4. Analyze the extremity of the suffering and death of Christ. Was it important that Christ suffered so much?
5. Consider the value and significance of the blood. Was it necessary to go this far to save man? (Hebrews 9:22)
6. What act made Jesus feel so forsaken and alone? Why was it necessary?

## SUMMARY:

It is common to the nature of man to want to save or help himself. Pride keeps many a man from accepting much needed help, often resulting in tragedy. How much greater is the tragedy of condemnation to those who are proud and self-righteous to accept the fact that Christ is their only hope of salvation!

## NOTES:

## APOSTOLIC CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bible Lesson #11

June 12, 2005

Second Quarter

## CHRIST BECOMES OUR SAVIOR

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**LESSON TEXT:** *John 19:17-42*

**LESSON SETTING:** On the cross of Calvary near Jerusalem.

**TIME:** Approximately 33 A.D.

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### I. THE SAVIOR'S SUFFERING. John 19:17-27

- A. In Gethsemane. Mark 14:32-36
- B. Scourged. John 19:1
- C. Crown of Thorns. John 19:2
- D. Bearing the Cross (vs. 17)
- E. Nailed to the Cross (vs. 18) John 20:25
- F. Mocked. Matthew 27:39-43; Mark 15:16-19; John 19:3

### II. THE SAVIOR'S DEATH. John 19:28-37

- A. It is Finished (vs. 30) Matthew 27:50; Mark 15:37; Luke 23:46
- B. His Blood Shed (vs. 34) John 20:25; Hebrews 9:22
- C. Prophecy Fulfilled (vs. 36-37) Psalm 34:20; Zechariah 12:10

**GOLDEN TEXT:** *BUT GOD COMMENDETH HIS LOVE TOWARD US, IN THAT, WHILE WE WERE YET SINNERS, CHRIST DIED FOR US.*  
Romans 5:8

**NEXT SUNDAY'S LESSON:** John 20:19-31

**SUPPLEMENTAL REFERENCES:** Job 19:25-27; Luke 24:36-43;

1 Corinthians 15:1-58;

Colossians 3:1-7

**QUARTERLY THEME:** Christ, the Son of God

**TOPIC:** CHRIST APPEARS TO HIS FOLLOWERS

**INTRODUCTION:**

The appearance of Christ to His followers is the foundation of the Christian faith. By His bodily appearance we know it is not just Christ's Spirit that lives, and not just His teachings that live, but that He lives. Because He lives, He also lives in us who have been crucified with him. (Galatians 2:20) Because He was resurrected, so also shall we who know Him and be resurrected after this life. (1 Corinthians 15:20-23)

To prove the resurrection beyond doubt, Jesus was seen of the eleven disciples and also of about 500 brethren at one time. No other doctrine is based on a person who rose from the dead and none of these can give the promise of a resurrection to its followers. Certainly, Christ is the only living way.

**CENTRAL TRUTH:** Christ was the perfect sacrifice, and we are justified by faith in His atonement.

**GOLDEN TEXT:** *BUT THESE ARE WRITTEN, THAT YE MIGHT BELIEVE THAT JESUS IS THE CHRIST, THE SON OF GOD; AND THAT BELIEVING YE MIGHT HAVE LIFE THROUGH HIS NAME.*

John 20:31

The disciples were able to see the resurrected Savior and believed. However, even though we are not able to have this experience first-hand, we are not lacking in evidence of the resurrection. The book of John specifically states that it was written for the express purpose that we might believe that Jesus is indeed the Christ, the Son of God, and that through Him we might have spiritual and eternal life. For Jesus says, "The works that I do in my Father's name, they bear witness of me." (John 10:25) If more of His miracles or anything about Jesus would have been necessary to help anyone believe, more would have been included in the Gospels.

**DAILY BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF June 13 - 19**

M. Appearance to the Women. Mark 16:1-9

T. Appearance on the Emmaus Road. Luke 24:13-35

W. \*Appearance to His Disciples. John 20:19-31

T. Appearance to Paul. Acts 22:6-15

F. Appearance to Five Hundred. 1 Corinthians 15:1-8

S. Appearance to His Bride. 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

S. Appearance - Our Blessed Hope. Titus 2:11-15