

John 19: The Son of God

Lesson Theme: That the Scripture Might Be Fulfilled

Galatians 3:13-14—

Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree"), that the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

John 19:1-24: Hung on a Tree

1. Pilate had Jesus scourged, bringing Him out to the Jews, that they would know he found no fault in Him. (John 19:1-4)

Isaiah 53:5—

But He was wounded for our transgressions,
He was bruised for our iniquities;
The chastisement for our peace was upon Him,
And by His stripes we are healed.

1 Peter 2:24—

who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose stripes you were healed.

2. Pilate's statement, "Behold, the Man!" prophetically described Jesus as the Last Adam. Jesus was wearing a "crown" and a "purple robe," signifying royalty and kingship. Even in mocking Him, they could never strip away who He truly is. All will see Him as King of Kings and Lord of Lords when He returns to the earth.

Revelation 19:12-13—

His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God.

3. Pilate said three times, "I find no fault in Him." (John 19:6)

4. Pilate displayed a fear of the Lord. (John 19:7-8)

5. Pilate was trying to release Jesus. Jesus even confirmed that Pilate was only put in that position because of Judas' greater sin of betraying Jesus. (John 19:9-11)

6. The conflict between Roman rule and Jewish rule came down to the Jews' threats using fear and guilt to get Pilate to succumb to their wishes. (John 19:12).

7. There was nothing Pilate could do but bring Jesus to the judgment (Gr: *Bema*) seat. Once again, he asked them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The Jews' threats won out and Pilate delivered Jesus to the Jews to be crucified. (John 19:13-16)

8. Jesus was crucified in the center of the two others as a prophetic display of His position in the millennial kingdom. (John 19:17-18) **Matthew 20:20-23**

9. Pilate had the last say over the circumstances by having the truth about Jesus written over Him on the cross. (John 19:19-22)
10. God was in full control, fulfilling the Scriptures, while Jesus was on the cross. (John 19:23-24) **Psalm 22:18**

John 19:25-42: Pierced His Side

11. Jesus showed honor to His mother by placing her in the apostle John's care. (John 19:25-27)
12. Jesus knew the moment the Scriptures were fulfilled by His life, thus giving up His spirit. (John 19:28-30)
13. Scripture continued to be fulfilled after Jesus died, demonstrating that God is in full control of His creation and His Word coming to pass. (John 19:31-37)
14. The complete fulfillment of Zechariah 12:10 will be when Jesus returns to the earth and Israel recognizes Jesus as their King. This will occur at the end of the 7-year tribulation.

Zechariah 12:10—

And I will pour on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem the Spirit of grace and supplication; then they will look on Me whom they pierced. Yes, they will mourn for Him as one mourns for his only son, and grieve for Him as one grieves for a firstborn.

15. Jesus surrendered His will to the Father in a garden, was arrested in a garden, was crucified in a garden, and buried in a garden. He also rose again in a garden (see John 20). The garden is a very important place to God. It is the original place of God's fellowship with mankind. (John 19:38-42)

Genesis 3:8a—

And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day,

Conclusions:

- The contrast of Pilate, a Gentile, seeing no fault in Jesus and Israel rejecting Him as King points to the history of the church age, where mostly Gentiles make up the church.
- Jesus' death and burial in a garden signified that the devil could not forever take what rightfully belongs to God. Jesus triumphed in a garden, the very place Satan thought he stole God's creation from Him (see **Genesis 3**). The Mocker was himself mocked by God who took mankind's sins upon Himself and gave us His righteousness. Through Jesus, we can fellowship with God again in the garden for all eternity (see **Revelation 21-22**).