

LUKE 23 vs 27

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27 And there followed Him a massive crowd, including women mourning and weeping loudly for Him.

28 But turning to them, Jesus said, Daughters of Jerusalem, Do not weep for Me; weep for yourselves and your children.

29 Pay attention, the days are coming when they will say, Blessed are women without children, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed / Even as He is going to His death, Jesus is teaching,

The greatest shame to these people for 1000 years is that they would not have, or did not bear children. The greatest joy was their children. For 1000 years every mother hoped... maybe this child of mine... would be the promised One. What they didn't know was... the promised One was there, and that's how the world treated Him.

30 Then they will begin to say to the mountains, Fall on us; and to the hills, Cover us.

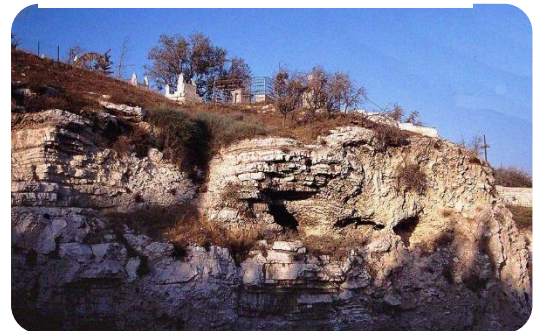
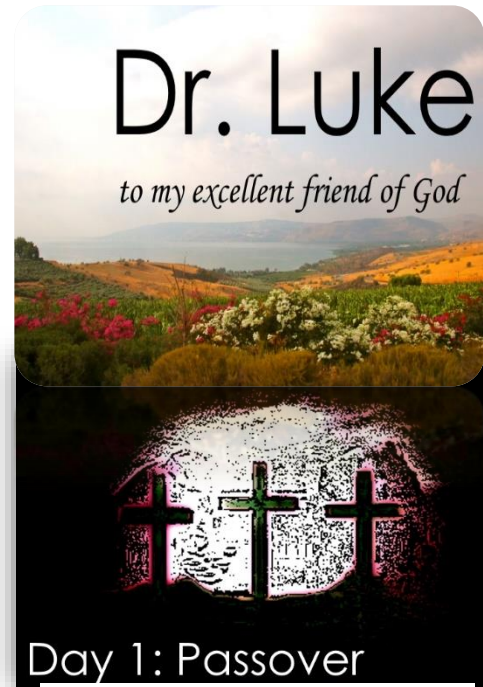
31 For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will they do when its dry? / if the world can find fault... with the Prince of glory, none of us have a chance. In the church world... you can be: an answer to prayer; a great blessing. But don't cross them! Did you hear that? Don't cross them! Jesus went to the cross for us; but don't cross them!

32 And there were also two others, criminals / outlaws, led with Him to be put to death.

33 And when they arrived at the place that is called Calvary / then we read those FOUR words:

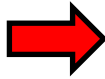
there they crucified Him / what does that mean? What does that really mean? Consider it. I would not die for you; and you would not die for me. Hey! I ain't no precious prize. You'd be a fool to die for me! What evil had He done?

there they crucified Him Yet we read...and the criminals, one on the right, and the other on the left.



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Verse 34 is not in the Sinaiticus... considered by some to be the oldest bible, but by others merely a forgery that was only discovered 150 years ago; but this verse is found in all the other bibles that have been around 1900 years... and as they were pathetically gambling for His clothes,



34 Then Jesus said, Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.

the word is: **aphiemi**... **apo** = **from + heimi** = **to send**, literally, to send away, to dismiss, to release and **let go**. As Jesus was in the process of being murdered, yet having done no evil... and because He is a real Teacher, a true Pastor... He does not hypocritically preach messages at His people, but demonstrates clearly and plainly the great truths of God our Father for His people;

Father, forgive them / do not hold this greatest of all evils against them; dismiss it, let it go; Jesus already said, for if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive you.

And they divided His clothes, and cast lots.



35 And the crowd stood paying attention, as the rulers with them also derided Him / the religious leaders turned up their noses at Him, saying, He saved others; let Him save himself, if He is the Christ / if He is the Messiah, Chosen of God... ha,ha,ha!!

And notice the chain reaction that started from those arrogant, envious religious fools, clothed in their ass-holiness.

36 And now the soldiers mocked Him, coming to Him, and offering Him vinegar,

37 and saying, If You are the king of the Jews, save Yourself / this is their amusement park. Laughing, joking... back-slapping each other... thinking this is the funniest scene. This is their daytime comedy: Jesus Christ... hanging on a cross for us. Stupid asses! But you know... if you check out the old Latin bible, you discover something. These roman soldiers probably said,

Dicentes si tu es rex Iudaeorum, Salvum te fac. And you know God our heavenly Father, who will always have the **last laugh**... probably said, **te fac... you too!** Is that why that worthless language died? Because God said, Enough! I don't know!

But just an aside -- I'm not being funny. Romans 3:25 declares, Whom God has set forth to be a **hilasterion** through faith in His blood, to declare His righteousness for sins -- yours and mine that are passed over. The root of **hilasterion** is where we get the words: **hilarious** and hilarity; though Calvary is no laughing matter... God shows us here... HE was dead serious about keeping His word!

So, let's get back to Luke's good news...

38 And a superscription was over Him / the accusation of His crime... was likely tacked above His head.

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in letters of Greek, of Latin, of Hebrew ; we in the 21st century might question: why those 3 languages?

Well, the Greek... because of their wisdom; they were wise... though they're not doing very well now!

And roman latin? That hocus pocus language? Thank God, it's dead! Is that why they call their roman bible a dead letter? Then, I agree!

And the Hebrew, well, they're still around and some... not all... are still stumbling over their Messiah. Check out: [STEVEN BEN NUN](#) | [BEHOLD ISRAEL](#) | [ONE FOR ISRAEL](#) | [LEON MAZIN - TIKKUN](#) | [MESSIAH OF ISRAEL](#)

So I guess we'll stick with the English, because at least they shared God's Good News with the world. Luke continues:

a superscription also was placed over Jesus... for all to read. It stated:

THE KING OF THE JEWS IS THIS.

 ³⁹ Then one of the criminals hanging there yelled insults at Him / one of the criminals, the one who was a hard head , said,

Are You not the Christ? Save Yourself and us!

⁴⁰ But the other answering and criticizing him, said / and here is the power of God's love watching these goofy religious leaders that he probably hated. He would not have attended their church; and watching these brutal soldiers mocking this Man, hanging, dying on a cross; and having heard the sentence from Pilate, I find no guilt in Him! Now, the 2nd criminal hanging there, doing his math, and it was adding... and adding up.

the other answering, said, Don't you even fear God, since you are undergoing the same punishment? / don't you fear God? We're going to be as dead as this guy.

⁴¹ And we indeed justly; for we are getting what we deserve for what we did:

but this Man has done nothing **amiss** / not a thing; the word is: **atopos**; out of place. He had done nothing out of place. You know: a small miss – is as good as a mile. Small or big, it is still a miss!

⁴² And he said, Jesus, remember me when You come to Your kingdom.

⁴³ And He said to him / of highest certainty; Jesus signs his eternal name to what He says...

Amen! I say to you, **Today you will be with Me in paradise.**

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