

**John 19:31-37**  
*Viewing Christ's Death Through 3 Lenses*

**INTRO:** A Reasonable Faith. What was the central point of today's exposition of John 19:31-37.

*Jesus of Nazareth died a true death on a \_\_\_\_\_ cross for the actual \_\_\_\_\_  
of real \_\_\_\_\_.*

**In John 19:31:37 the Death of Christ is presented via 3 Lenses**

*Lens 1): An Historical \_\_\_\_\_ Report.*

(John 19:31-34)

What happened? What did not happen? Why are these facts important?

**Lens 2) A Personal Eyewitness \_\_\_\_\_.**

(John 19:26-27; 35. 1 John 1:1-4)

**The Crucifixion Narrative Should be Viewed Through these 3 Lenses**

Lens 3) **God's Prophetic** \_\_\_\_\_.

(John 19:28-30; Isaiah 53; Ex. 12:43-46; Rev. 13:18; Acts 2:22-42; Zech. 12-14)

**For Further Reflection:** *Lord help us to be doers of the Word and not just sermon connoisseurs!*

What is the most important thing you heard today? How were you encouraged, challenged, and/or convicted? What do you want to study further because of today's message?

What songs/hymns came to mind while listening to tonight's sermon exposition?

Does it matter if someone attempts to separate *facts* from the *truth*? Note John 20:30-31; 21:25; Luke 1:3-4; and 1 Corinthians 15:1-8. Is the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus (historic) fact or fiction? Is saving faith in Christ divorced from all reason? What difference does it make?

On this subject, Dr. Sproul notes, *When the Scriptures say that faith is the evidence of things not seen, what are we to understand that to mean? The example given is that by faith we understand the world was formed by the Word of God. None of us was an eyewitness of the miraculous action of God in creation. Yet we trust that the universe has come into being by the act of God's divine work of creation because we have come on reasonable grounds to believe that God's Word is trustworthy and true. Because we are convinced that God's Word is trustworthy and that that conviction is a reasonable conviction, we can trust God's Word even for those things that we cannot see. One prominent theologian also argued the point that true faith is not believing against evidence. Rather, true faith involves trusting in the evidence that God has amply provided in and through His Word. That faith is not without what Calvin called evidences; rather, it is a faith that surrenders to or acquiesces to the evidences.*

What was the central point of today's exposition of John 19:31-37. "Jesus of Nazareth died a true death on a \_\_\_\_\_."

Highlight how/why the details in the biblical text ought to strengthen our faith in Christ, our trust in the Holy Scriptures, and our confidence in God's prophetic plans?

How does John 18-19 help believers enter the "Thanksgiving" season in a way that pleases the LORD?

Review last Sunday's sermon notes/outline. 3 Essential Truths from the Cross (John 19:23-30)

- 1) **The Sovereign Purposes of God Fulfilled at Calvary.** (*John 19:23-24*)
- 2) **A Striking Contrast of FAITH and UNBELIEF at Calvary.** (*John 19:25; Gal. 6:24*)
- 3) **Some Unforgettable Words of LIFE at Calvary.** (*John 19:26-30*)
  - A) **A Word of Infinite Compassion;** (*John 19:26-27; Psalm 51:1*).
  - B) **A Word of Fulfillment and Anguish;** (*John 19:28-29; Psalm 69:21*).
  - C) **A Word of Final Victory;** (*John 19:30; Tetelestai; τετέλεσται*)

How should the unjust suffering of Christ and the death of God's Son help us respond to our own trials and tribulations in a God-pleasing manner? Note 1 Peter; John 14-16; Romans 8:28f.

10/1/23 Review of John 18:38-19:7 sermon

- I. Pilate's Impartial Verdict *(John 18:38; 19:4; 19:6).*
- II. Pilate's "Everybody Wins" Proposal. *(John 18:39-40).*
- III. Pilate's (Brutal) Appeasement Beat Down *(John 19:1-7).*

A Five Fold Chain-Reaction (John 19:8-16) 10/8/23 exposition.

- 1a) Pilate's Spiritual Crisis (Question) *(John 19:8-9a)*
- 1b) Jesus' Silent Judgment. *(John 19:9)*
- 2a) Pilate's "Don't You Know Who I Am!" Boast. *(John 19:10)*
- 2b) Jesus Sets Proud Pilate in His Place! *(John 19:11; Acts 4:27-28; Proverbs 19:21)*
- 3a) Pilate's Conflicted Conscience Ploy. *(John 19:12-13, Prov. 29:25)*
- 3b) The Sinister Sanhedrin Play their Diabolical Trump Card *(John 19:12-13; Prov. 29:25)*
- 4a) Pilate's Capitulating Taunts. *(John 19:14b-15a, note "the Bad Boys of Scripture" messages)*
- 4b) The Jew's Ultimate Blasphemy. *(John 19:14-15b; 1 Samuel 8:7; Ps. 47:7; 5:2; Isaiah 9:6-7)*
- 5a) Pilate's Fatal Concession. *(John 19:16; Luke 23:24-25; Isaiah 53)*
- 5b) The Unbelievers' Bloodlust is Finally Satisfied! *(John 19:17f)*

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