

This is My Blood Which is Poured Out For Many For the Forgiveness of Sins

Why did Jesus need to die for our sins? God is just and God knew we needed a Savior.

Romans 1:18-25 *For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth. 19 For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. 20 For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse. 21 For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened. 22 Claiming to be wise, they became fools, 23 and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man and birds and animals and creeping things. 24 Therefore God gave them up in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, to the dishonoring of their bodies among themselves, 25 because they exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever! Amen.*

Romans 5:6-11 *For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. 7 For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— 8 but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. 9 Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. 10 For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. 11 More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.*

- 1. God wants us to live for Him now.**
- 2. God wants us to point others to Jesus.**
- 3. God wants us to be ready for Him when He comes back.**

Vs 1-2 Jesus predicts His death. Priests and elders plot to kill Jesus.

Vs 3-5 Jesus tells His men He will be coming back, but now He tells them He is about to be crucified.

Jesus openly predicted He was about to be handed over and crucified! He came to die for our sins!

We can learn a lot from Jesus' response to His enemies and difficult times.

Matthew 5:43-45a *“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven.”*

- 1. Jesus lived a godly life before His enemies.**
- 2. Jesus kept His hope on eternity and not the painful situation that stressed Him.**
- 3. Jesus looked to impact others around Him wherever He went.**
- 4. Jesus stayed prayed up.**

Do you do these things?

Vs 6-13 are the Plot, Jesus' anointing, and His preparation for burial.

The Passover was celebrated every year to remember the Exodus of God's people, the Jews.

Caiaphas was the high priest. He ruled from AD 18-36.

There would be thousands of extra people who came to Jerusalem for the Passover. With all of these Jews in town, the leaders wanted to be careful not to cause an uprising.

It is interesting what we will spend money on for ourselves or a loved one. It is interesting that we often do not want to spend money on God things as did this woman with the expensive ointment. Everything we have is because of God. He is our source. Do you love God or money more? Do you love God or self more?

If the disciples really cared about the poor, they could always love and care and sacrifice for them.

The nard was valued at one year's wages for a worker. A rough estimate in today's worth \$70,000.

Vs 14-16 Judas had been with Jesus about three years at this time. He was one of Jesus' disciples. He was one of His close friends. Selfishness and money was more important to Judas than Jesus was.

It is easy for us to put ourselves or greed ahead of our relationship with God. Do you betray Jesus?

Though Judas knew Jesus and listened to His teaching, he was not a Christian.

Luke 22:3-4 *Then Satan entered into Judas called Iscariot, who was of the number of the twelve. 4 He went away and conferred with the chief priests and officers how he might betray him to them.*

It is possible to be religious and not be saved. **Judas was not saved.** Is Jesus your Master and Ruler of your life or are you religious? It is thought that Judas betrayed Jesus for around \$7500.

Vs 17-29 What does a disciple of Christ do? They obey Jesus.

Jesus told them to go and get a room to celebrate and they obeyed their leader.

What is God leading you to do now? Are you obeying? What are you unwilling to do for Jesus?

What sin are you putting over Jesus? What has Jesus called you to that you are being disobedient?

Jesus' body would be broken and His blood would be shed for His people. This is the 3rd prophecy that we have read today. They all came true. Judas never called Jesus Lord.

Jesus was the perfect sacrifice, He was the Lamb of God, He came for the forgiveness of our sins.

Vs 30-35 all of Jesus' followers would fall away. 4th prophecy of death.

Vs 36-46 Jesus prayed for God the Fathers will to be done. **Do you want God's will in your life?**

We can ask God to help us with temptation and He does. Ask God to help you where you are weak.

Vs 47-56 5th prophecy. This is done so scripture is fulfilled. Jesus is the Messiah. Jesus died for our sin.

Vs 57-68 Jesus is coming back! At least 5th prophecy in this passage. He knew His job.

Vs 69-75 Prophecy comes true.

We all sin. We all struggle. We are saved because we trust in Jesus as our Savior and Lord. His death paid for our sin. Our sin is that bad. We must be patient with others who struggle in sin because we too struggle with sin. Jesus' death is enough to pay for all of our sin.