

## **SERIES: ANCHORED**

**DATE:** Sunday, April 2-3, 2022

**SERMON:** The Cross on Which Jesus Died

**SCRIPTURE:** John 19:17-30 NIV

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[17] Carrying his own cross, he went out to the place of the Skull (which in Aramaic is called Golgotha).

[18] There they crucified him, and with him two others—one on each side and Jesus in the middle.

[19] Pilate had a notice prepared and fastened to the cross. It read: JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS.

[20] Many of the Jews read this sign, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and the sign was written in Aramaic, Latin and Greek.

[21] The chief priests of the Jews protested to Pilate, “Do not write ‘The King of the Jews,’ but that this man claimed to be king of the Jews.”

[22] Pilate answered, “What I have written, I have written.”

[23] When the soldiers crucified Jesus, they took his clothes, dividing them into four shares, one for each of them, with the undergarment remaining. This garment was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom.

[24] “Let’s not tear it,” they said to one another. “Let’s decide by lot who will get it.” This happened that the scripture might be fulfilled that said, “They divided my clothes among them and cast lots for my garment.” So this is what the soldiers did.

[25] Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene.

[26] When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to her, “Woman, here is your son,”

[27] and to the disciple, “Here is your mother.” From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

[28] Later, knowing that everything had now been finished, and so that Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, “I am thirsty.”

[29] A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus’ lips.

[30] When he had received the drink, Jesus said, “It is finished.” With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

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1. Those \_\_\_\_\_.

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• **Mark 15:40** Some women were watching from a distance. Among them were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joseph, and Salome. • **Matthew 27:55-56** Many women were there, watching from a distance. They had followed Jesus from Galilee to care for his needs. Among them were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of Zebedee's sons.

4. The \_\_\_\_\_ from the cross.

- \_\_\_\_\_, behold your son! Behold, your \_\_\_\_\_!
- I \_\_\_\_\_
- It is \_\_\_\_\_

5. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the cross.

# Lagniappe

We are coming to the most significant time of our church year. As we celebrate the resurrection of Christ, we also remember the significance of this event.

Paul clearly stated the case: "If Christ has not been raised, we are of all people most to be pitied." Our hope and our faith is in the finished work of Christ on the cross. His resurrection validates what He did for the forgiveness of our sins.

As Paul would also say, "Since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep."

## ***Our hope is in Christ and in Christ, alone.***

For this reason, we will gather together to worship Christ, to tell the good news, and to celebrate the resurrection. We hope you will take advantage of times of worship and service in the coming days.

## **Here are things you need to know.**

**Sunday, April 3, at 5:00PM.** We will meet to discuss our *Anchored Capital Campaign* and to hear about future plans and opportunities. This is an hour and fifteen minute meeting including refreshments.

**Wednesday, April 6.** Our regular Wednesday night activities preceded by "*Food Truck Night*" beginning at 5:30PM at the East Entrance.

**Saturday & Sunday, April 9 & 10.** We will make our commitments for the *Anchored Capital Campaign*.

**Thursday, April 14, at 7:00PM.** Our Maundy Thursday service observing the Lord's Supper.

**On Easter weekend,** we will have our worship services and Connect Groups at the regularly scheduled times Saturday evening and Sunday morning. We are thankful to be able to return to a regular schedule for both Bible Study and worship. All three worship services will be the same with choir and orchestra in each one.

May God use this time to make Himself known and to remind us of our great



hope.