

## The Suffering Of Jesus

⇒ I have shown you from the scriptures before how Christ burial had to be completed before 6 PM (sundown) Wednesday.

⇒ Therefore, Jesus' crucifixion took place on a Wednesday.

⇒ So tonight we want to look at the sufferings of Jesus.

⇒ **Text:**     **Matthew 26:36-46**

⇒ **Intro:**

- There are three words given in the New Testament in connection with the sufferings and death of Jesus that we would do well to remember.
- They are: Gethsemane, Gabbatha, and Golgotha.
- These words are all the names of places where Jesus suffered.
- By looking at each of these, we can ~~not~~ arrive at a better understanding of what Jesus suffered on our behalf.
- Because in each of these places, Jesus suffered at different hands.
- I want to look at these places tonight and try to understand a little better what Jesus suffered for you and for me.

⇒ **Notice with me:**

⇒ **I. GETHSEMANE - SUFFERING AT THE HAND OF SATAN**

- **Mt. 26:36-46**

⇒ A. Jesus felt the full impact of Satan's attack in Gethsemane –

- **III. Lk. 4:13** – This wasn't Satan's first attack on Jesus.
- We read of another attack by Satan on Jesus in the wilderness following His baptism.

- Interesting enough here in the wilderness Jesus is being attack by Satan at the beginning of ministry.
- Here in the Garden of Gethsemane we have another attack by Satan at the end of His ministry.
- No doubt, Satan attempted to murder the Savior in the garden to prevent His blood from being shed on the cross.
- Satan may have tempted the Lord to back away from the cross, but Jesus was totally submissive to His Father's will, (v.39).
  - (Ill. The content of the cup - Not suffering, not death, my sin)
- 1. Mark 14:33 - "Sore Amazed" –
  - Suddenly struck with surprised terror.
- 2. Mt. 26:37 - "Very Heavy" –
  - He was weighed down with a feeling of uncertainty and acute distress
- 3. Mt. 26:38 - "Exceeding sorrowful, even unto death" –
  - He was surrounded by grief to the degree that it threatened His very life!
- 4. Through all of this, Jesus was victorious! (Ill. The Father helped Him –
  - **Luke 22:43; Heb. 5:7\*\*)**
- 5. He is qualified to help you in your times of temptation –
  - **Heb. 4:15!**
- ⇒ B. Jesus felt the full impact of sin's curse in Gethsemane
  - 1. Sin brought a curse upon the earth and upon mankind,
    - **Gen. 3:17-24**

- 2. In Gethsemane, Jesus lay upon cursed ground and in sweat and sorrow won the victory over sin and its curse!
  - (Ill. Drops of blood - **Luke 22:44**)
- 3. Ill. Gethsemane means - "Oil press"
  - In that garden, Jesus was pressed by all that hell could place upon Him and still He conquered with you on His mind!

## ⇒ **II. GABBATHA - SUFFERING AT THE HAND OF SINNERS**

- **John 19:1-13**
- ⇒ A. Gabbatha is associated with the sufferings of Jesus at the hands of sinful man –
  - **Matt. 26:45.**
- ⇒ B. Jesus was "Despised and rejected of men" - **Isa. 53:3**
  - Notice what He suffered for you!
  - 1. Betrayed by Judas and deserted by the disciples –
    - **Matt. 26:47-56**
  - 2. Beaten by the Temple guards –
    - **Luke 22:63-64**
  - 3. Rejected by the very people He came to save –
    - **Matt. 27:17-25; John 1:11**
  - 4. Scourged –
    - **Matt. 27:26**
    - (Ill. Furrows - **Psa. 129:3**) – Prophetic Reference to Jesus' scourging
  - 5. Mocked by the soldiers and crowned with thorns –
    - **Matt. 27:26-29**

○ 6. Beard plucked from His face –

• **Isa. 50:6**

○ 7. He was condemned to die –

• **John 19:13-16**

⇒ C. Jesus endured the pain, the agony, the suffering and the shame all because He loved you!

○ (**Heb. 12:2**)

⇒ **III. GOLGOTHA - SUFFERING AT THE HAND OF SOVERIENGTY**

○ **John 19:16-18**

⇒ A. In these verses, Jesus suffers at the hands of His own Father.

⇒ B. Since the beginning of time, God had never fully visited sin with 100% judgment.

○ **Rom. 9:22**

⇒ C. At Calvary, God dealt with the sin issue fully and finally, and He did it in the body of His own beloved Son!

○ 1. Stripped Naked - **Matt. 27:35**

○ 2. Crucified - Nailed to a cross and hung up to die - **Matt. 27:35**

○ 3. Abandoned, for a time, by His own Father - **Matt. 27:46**

○ 4. Absolutely marred beyond belief - **Isa. 52:14**

○ 5. At the cross, God judged sin and He did through Jesus - **Isa. 53:4, 6, 10-11**

• (**Ill. Rom. 6:23; Ill. Heb. 2:9\*\***)

• **2 Cor. 5:21**

⇒ D. Ill. Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe, sin had left a crimson satin, He washed it white as snow!

⇒ **Conclusion:**

- I praise the Lord for all He suffered for us!
- I am grateful that I am loved to that degree by such a wonderful Savior!
- Because He was willing to suffer and die, you and I are free to live!
  - 1. **Gethsemane was Satan's hour - The hour of Travail**
  - 2. **Gabbatha was the Sinner's hour - The hour of Trial**
  - 3. **Golgotha was the Sovereign's hour - The hour of Triumph**
- All three hours were our hours!
- He did what He did because of you!
- All He asks in return is that you love Him and live for Him.
- Sounds like a pretty good deal to me.