

**Come and See**



# The Crucifixion and Resurrection


- ▶ Matthew 27:32 – 28:15
- ▶ Mark 15:21 – 16:12
- ▶ Luke 23:26 – 24: 49
- ▶ John 19:17 – 20:30
  
- ▶ **THE SUN DARKENED** – The first of the miraculous signs that accompanied Jesus' death was the darkening of the sky.
- ▶ **Matthew 27:45–46** At noon, darkness fell across the whole land until three o'clock. 46 At about three o'clock, Jesus called out with a loud voice,

- ▶ But God is certainly able to dim the sun's light, and has many times in order to make a statement:
  - During Moses' time, darkness had fallen in Egypt because a plague of locusts was so thick that the flying insects had blocked the sun (**Exodus 10:14–15**).
  - In Joshua's time the opposite had occurred, and the sun stood still over Israel for a whole 24-hour period (**Joshua 10:12–14**).
  - In Hezekiah's day, the shadows turned backward ten degrees, as the earth's rotation seemed to reverse for about 40 minutes (**2 Kings 20:9–11**).
- ▶ In any case, the darkness is certainly an appropriate reminder that the cross was a place of judgment.

- ▶ The culmination of the darkness is Christ's outcry to the Father: "At about three o'clock, Jesus called out with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" which means "My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?" (vs.46)
- ▶ **John 19:28** When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "It is finished," and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit. ESV
- ▶ Jesus cried out again with a loud voice" saying "Tetelestai!"
- ▶ **Tetelestai** – The Sacrifice Is Accomplished
- ▶ Every Jewish person there would have instantly recognized this word as the equivalent of a Hebrew phrase that was used in the **Old Testament** sacrificial system. June 25, 2017

**THE VEIL TORN** At the very moment of Christ's death, a series of remarkable miracles occurred.

- ▶ **Matthew 27:51** And behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. ESV
- ▶ In the Jewish temple, the veil served as the barrier to the Holy of Holies was said to be where God's presence rested and it housed the Ark of the Covenant. (Exodus 26).
- ▶ **1 Kings 6:2** The Temple that King Solomon built for the Lord was 90 feet long, 30 feet wide, and 45 feet high. This would have been 45 feet tall.

- ▶ The veil was of vital symbolic importance, signifying “that the way into the Holy of Holies was not freely open”
  - ▶ In other words, it was a constant reminder that sin renders humanity unfit for the presence of God.
  - ▶ **Hebrews 9:6–8**
  - ▶ **Notice the details:** 1) Jesus died, 2) the enormous 45 to 60-foot high, four inch thick curtain was torn in half, and 3) the tear was from top to bottom, clearly indicating the destruction was not man-made, but came from God.
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- ▶ This connection between the death of Jesus and the torn veil is not just about God's power, but is demonstrative of who Jesus is, what the cross accomplished, and the access we have to God through Christ.
- ▶ **Hebrews 9:11–15**
- ▶ **Come Close** – The tearing of the curtain from top to bottom signified that it was God Himself who removed the barrier. He was in effect saying, “My Son has removed this veil and eliminated the need for it, through a single, perfect, once-for-all sacrifice that cleanses the redeemed from their sins forever. The way into my Holy presence is now open to every believer and the access is free and unobstructed.”

# THE EARTH SHAKEN

– Another miracle also occurred at the exact moment of Christ's death.

- ▶ **Matthew 27:51** And the earth shook, and the rocks were split. ESV
  
- ▶ Earthquakes in Scripture are often used, like darkness, to signify a graphic display of divine power.
  - **Exodus 19:18–19** All of Mount Sinai was covered with smoke because the Lord had descended on it in the form of fire. The smoke billowed into the sky like smoke from a brick kiln, and the whole mountain shook violently. NLT
  - **Psalms 18:7** Then the earth quaked and trembled. The foundations of the mountains shook; they quaked because of his anger. NLT
  - **Nahum 1:5–6** In his presence the mountains quake, and the hills melt away; the earth trembles, and its people are destroyed. 6 Who can stand before his fierce anger? Who can survive his burning fury? His rage blazes forth like fire, and the mountains crumble to dust in his presence. NLT



**THE DEAD RAISED** – At that very same moment when Christ died, yet another miracle occurred:

- ▶ **Matthew 27:52–53** and tombs opened. The bodies of many godly men and women who had died were raised from the dead. 53 They left the cemetery after Jesus' resurrection, went into the holy city of Jerusalem, and appeared to many people.

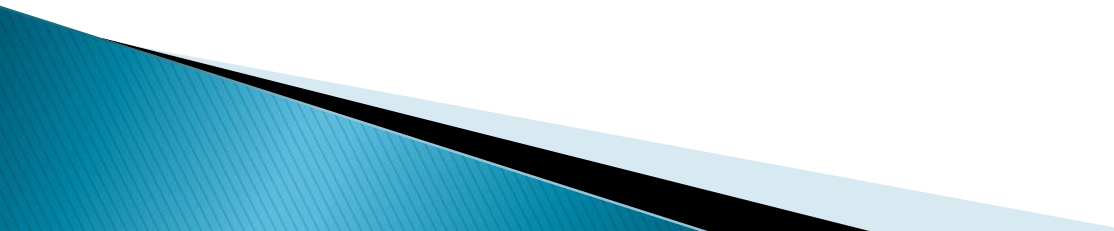
**THE CENTURION BELIEVED** – But perhaps the most dramatic miracle that occurred at the moment of Jesus' death was the believe of those charged with overseeing the crucifixion.

- ▶ **Matthew 27:54** When the centurion and those who were with him, keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were filled with awe and said, "Truly this was the Son of God!" ESV

# Come and See –

## The Miracle for All Who Believe!!!!

- ▶ Matthew 28:1–10 Early on Sunday morning, as the new day was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went out to visit the tomb. 2 Suddenly there was a great earthquake! For an angel of the Lord came down from heaven, rolled aside the stone, and sat on it. 3 His face shone like lightning, and his clothing was as white as snow. 4 The guards shook with fear when they saw him, and they fell into a dead faint. 5 Then the angel spoke to the women. "Don't be afraid!" he said. **"I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. 6 He isn't here! He is risen from the dead, just as he said would happen. Come, see where his body was lying. 7 And now, go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and he is going ahead of you to Galilee. You will see him there. Remember what I have told you."**

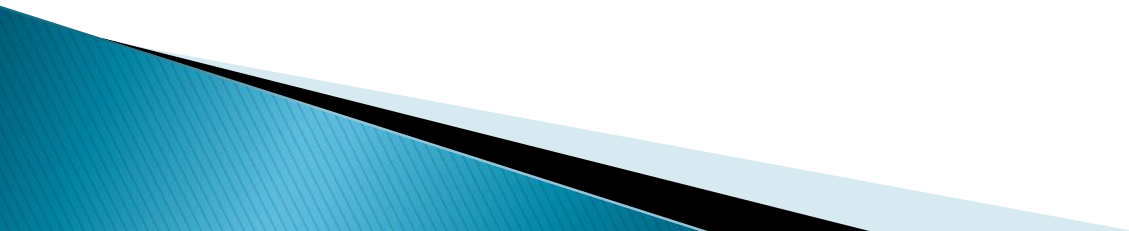
- ▶ 8 The women ran quickly from the tomb. They were very frightened but also filled with great joy, and they rushed to give the disciples the angel's message. 9 And as they went, Jesus met them and greeted them. And they ran to him, grasped his feet, and worshiped him.
  - ▶ Mark 16:6–7 Look, this is where they laid his body.
  - ▶ Luke 24:5–6 "Why are you looking among the dead for someone who is alive? 6 He isn't here! He is risen from the dead! NLT
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- ▶ **John 20:11–16** Mary was standing outside the tomb crying, and as she wept, she stooped and looked in. 12 She saw two white-robed angels, one sitting at the head and the other at the foot of the place where the body of Jesus had been lying. 13 "Dear woman, why are you crying?" the angels asked her. "Because they have taken away my Lord," she replied, "and I don't know where they have put him."
- ▶ 14 She turned to leave and saw someone standing there. It was Jesus, but she didn't recognize him. 15 "Dear woman, why are you crying?" **Jesus asked her. "Who are you looking for?"** She thought he was the gardener. "Sir," she said, "if you have taken him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will go and get him." She thought he was the gardener. "Sir," she said, "if you have taken him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will go and get him." 16 "Mary!" Jesus said. She turned to him and cried out, "Rabboni!" (which is Hebrew for "Teacher").

# The Dead Raised

- ▶ Matthew 27:52–53 and tombs opened. The bodies of many godly men and women who had died were raised from the dead. **53 They left the cemetery after Jesus' resurrection, went into the holy city of Jerusalem, and appeared to many people.**
- ▶ John 5:28–29 Don't be so surprised! Indeed, the time is coming when all the dead in their graves will hear the voice of God's Son, 29 and they will rise again. Those who have done good will rise to experience eternal life, and those who have continued in evil will rise to experience judgment. NLT
- ▶ 1 Corinthians 15:20 But in fact, Christ has been raised from the dead. He is the first of a great harvest of all who have died. NLT

# Communion – Come Close



Christ is Risen  
Alleluia!



- **Philippians 3:10–11** Now I have given up everything else—I have found it to be the only way to really know Christ and to experience the mighty power that brought him back to life again, and to find out what it means to suffer and to die with him. 11 So whatever it takes, I will be one who lives in the fresh newness of life of those who are alive from the dead. TLB