

May 21

Jerusalem, c. A.D. 33, as seen from Mt. of Olives

Matthew 27:41-52

# Crucified



FBC Woodville  
Sunday School Class  
Michael G. Maness  
see

[PreciousHeart.net/SS](http://PreciousHeart.net/SS)



previous lessons here  
[PreciousHeart.net/SS](http://PreciousHeart.net/SS)

Jerusalem and the Temple of Herod by James Tissot (1836-1902)

# Jesus and the Kingdom of God Matthew 16-28

- |            |                         |          |                     |
|------------|-------------------------|----------|---------------------|
| 1. Mar 5   | Who is Jesus?           | 16:13-28 | Caesarea Philippi   |
| 2. Mar 12  | Is Jesus Fully God?     | 17:1-13  | Transfiguration     |
| 3. Mar 19  | What Is Required?       | 19:16-26 | Rich Young Ruler    |
| 4. Mar 26  | More than a Prophet     | 21:1-11  | Triumphant Entry    |
| 5. Apr 2   | If I Reject Jesus?      | 21:33-45 | Wicked Tenants      |
| 6. Apr 9   | Offered to All?         | 22:1-14  | Wedding Banquet     |
| 7. Apr 16  | Where Is Jesus?         | 28:1-15  | <b>Resurrection</b> |
| 8. Apr 23  | What About the Future?  | 24:36-51 | Thief Comes         |
| 9. Apr 30  | How Do We Remember?     | 26:17-30 | Last Supper         |
| 10. May 7  | Do I Have the Strength? | 26:36-46 | Gethsemane          |
| 11. May 14 | Loyal?                  | 26:63-75 | Peter's Denial      |
| 12. May 21 | Crucified               | 27:41-52 | Crucifixion         |
| 13. May 28 | What Do We Do Now?      | 28:16-20 | Great Commission    |

Parable  
Parable  
Happy Easter  
Parable



## Lesson Author's Theme

**Jesus WILLINGLY sacrificed His life to  
pay the price for all humanity's sin**

- 27:1-40**    **Priests connive \* Judas Kills Self \* Jesus to Pilate**  
                  **\* Jesus Whipped through Via Dolorosa**
- 27:41-44**    **Mocked – King?—then Come Down from Cross**
- 27:45-49**    **Forsaken – “My God, My God, WHY....”**
- 27:50-52**    **Sacrificed – Jesus Cried Out, Gave up His Spirit**



**Key Verse Matthew 27:46  
and Psalm 22:1**

**My God, My God, why  
have You forsaken Me?**





Tell me ... have you ever felt ...

*You know ... on this passage ... I MUST ask*

Tell me ... have you EVER felt

**FORSAKEN**

Few have felt fully ... utterly ...

**FORSAKEN**





**Do NOT raise your hand ... have you?**

***On this passage ... I MUST ask***

**Have you EVER felt **FORSAKEN****

**Here ... I suspect many have, a *LITTLE* ...**

**Yet, I also suspect MANY in our fine church**

***... many in our fine town of Woodville ...***

**I *SUSPECT* many have NOT felt it *FULLY***

***God is Good ... they've been BLESSED***



So then ... please ... do not raise your hand

Know that several here HAVE felt

**FORSAKEN**

Yet, few have felt AS FORSAKEN as Jesus

Furthermore, I dare and must say ...

No one was LESS deserving of it than Jesus

No one was MORE deserving of UNFADING

**LOVE**

Alternate Title

Shaken 007™

Not  
Stirred



*or rather*

# Forsaken Not Forgotten



# Special Assignment

**Fate the Entire World was on  
*His Carpenter's Shoulders***

**No one ... *NO ONE* could help Him**

**Unlike 007, there was No Duplicity ...**

**Repeatedly, Christ told ALL His work**

**Christ was on a Special Assignment**

**Death Reigned ... the Devil Killed ...**

**All Forsook Him ... **Christ was Shaken****

**But He was NOT Stirred ... or Deterred**

**007™**



# **Special Assignment**

**Fate the Entire World was on  
*His Carpenter's Shoulders***

**NO ONE** could help Him

**Had to Go of His own Free Will**

**Special Assignment: The Cross**

**GOAL: Pay the Price**

**RESULT: That ALL may have Eternal Life**

**REASON: God the Father**

**So Loved the World**



*or rather*

# Forsaken Not Forgotten





**We left Jesus  
Denied**

**Forsaken!**

**Yet still  
LOVED by  
Peter**

**High Priests  
and His Gang  
Determined to**

**KILL Jesus**

Christ before Caiaphas  
by Mattias Stom (1600-52)

27:1, When daybreak came, all the chief priests and  
the elders of the people plotted against Jesus to  
**PUT HIM TO DEATH.**

Jesus is passed onto Pilate

Judas feels guilty, returns the 30 pieces of silver

Judas hangs himself ... good bye ... good riddance

Then, something strange and oddly evil takes place

27:6, The chief priests took the silver and said, "It's not lawful  
to put it into the temple treasury, since it is blood money."

Ahhh ... it's not **LAWFUL** to Lie & Murder too!





**7 So they conferred together and bought the potter's field with it as a burial place for foreigners.**

**8 Therefore that field has been called "Blood Field" to this day.**

**Priests TOTALLY corrupt ... TOTAL disbelief ... FULL of hate**

**Then ... Matthew 27:11-40 ... and the Via Dolorosa**

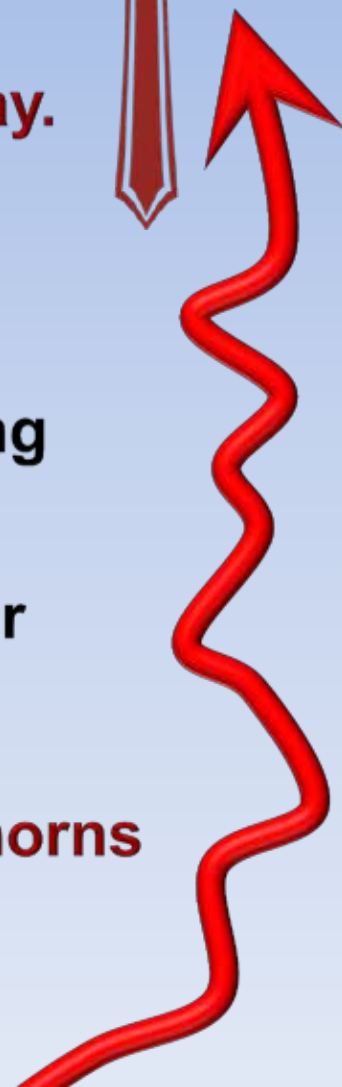
✓ **11-16** - Jesus is before Pilate and does not answer anything

✓ **17-21** - Pilate will release a prisoner, and the Chief Priests rile up everyone to release Barabbas, a murderer

✓ **22-40** - Pilate releases Barabbas, and ... you know so well

**Jesus is handed over ... Tortured ... Whipped ... Crown of Thorns**

**Led through the street ... Via Dolorosa ... to Golgotha**



## King of Kings ... Crowned with Thorns



They are Hitting Jesus on the HEAD  
Driving the CROWN of Thorns in, in, in  
hitting ... again & again & again!

What's on  
Jesus' HEAD?

Hitting Him  
on the HEAD!

Notice something particularly cruel ... brutal ...

Matthew 27:29, they twisted together a CROWN OF THORNS and set it on his head.... staff in his right hand ... "Hail, king of the Jews!"

<sup>30</sup> They spit on him, and took the staff and STRUCK him

on the HEAD again and again.

***Via Dolorosa* ... Latin for “Way of Sorrow”**

***Via Dolorosa* ... also “Way of Suffering”**

**Or ... “Way of Grief” ... *Via Dolorosa***

***Via Dolorosa* is the name of an Old Street in Jerusalem believed to be the path upon which**

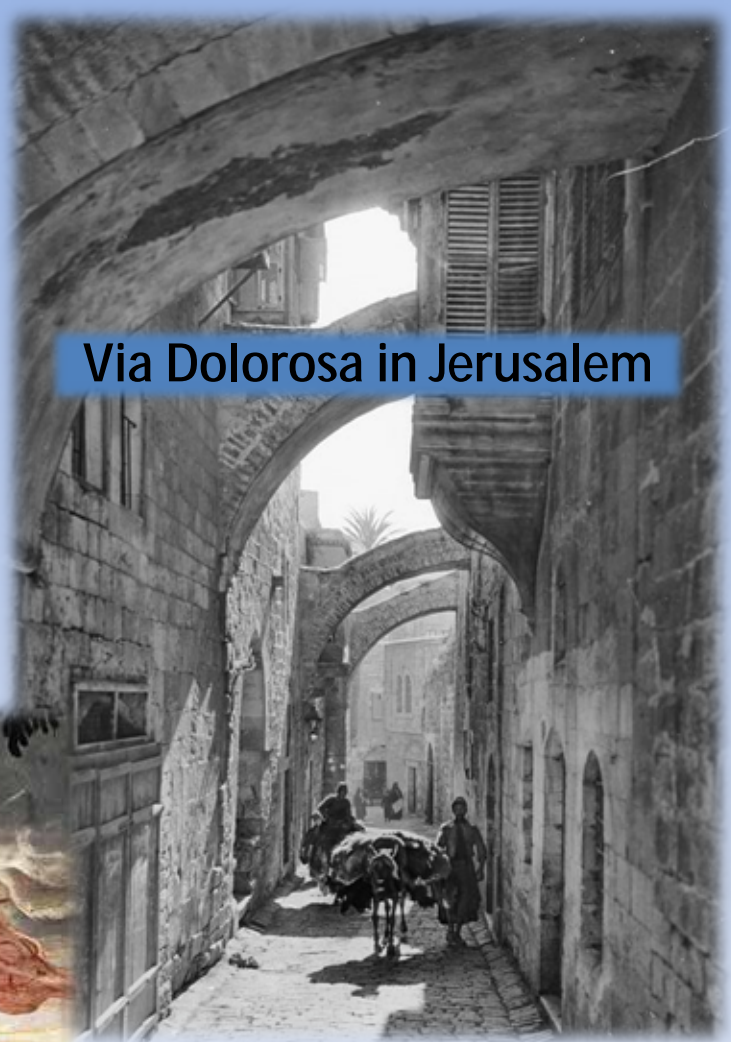
**JESUS carried His Cross**

**Through the Via Dolorosa**

**Up Golgotha ...**

**To the ...**

**CROSS**

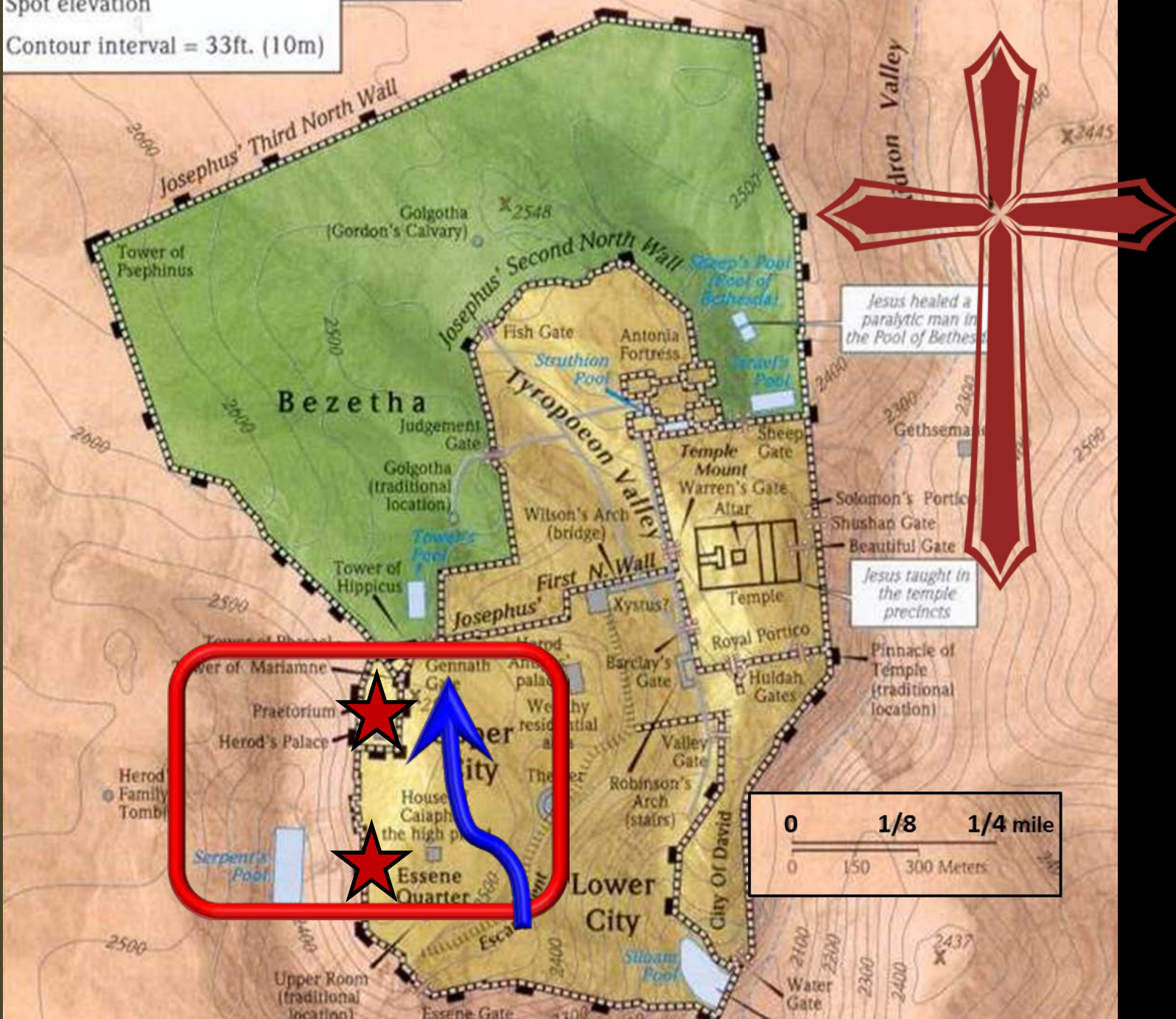


**Via Dolorosa in Jerusalem**

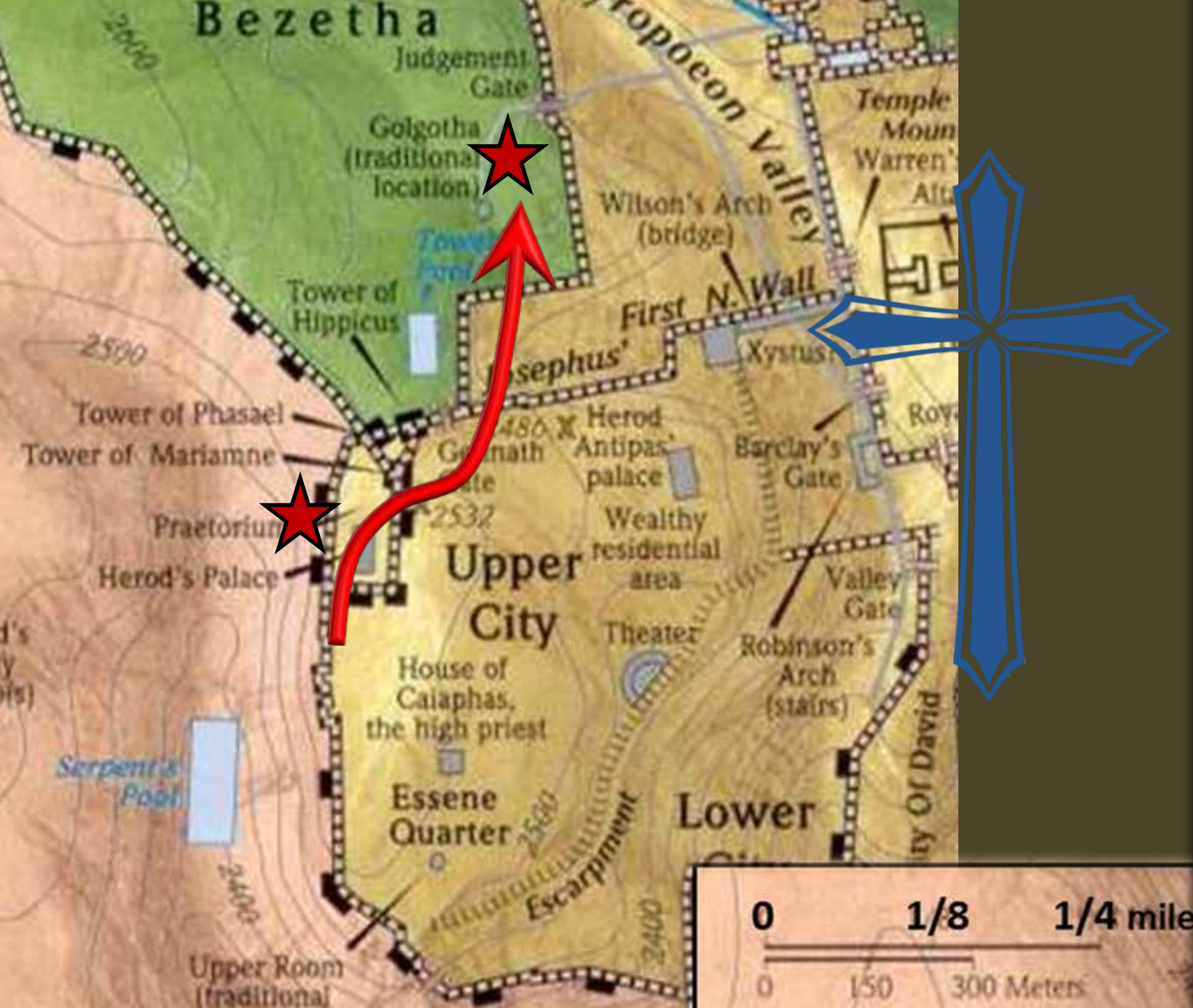


**Jesus Carrying Cross  
by Tintoretto (1518-94)**

Spot elevation  
Contour interval = 33ft. (10m)



From the  
Home Palace  
of the High Priest  
**Caiaphas**  
to the  
Praetorian  
**King of Kings**  
led like a  
**CRIMINAL**



From the  
**Praetorian**  
Whipped - Crowned  
through the  
**Via Dolorosa**  
*through the*  
*Cobbled Street*  
outside the  
city walls to  
**Golgotha**  
Where Jesus was  
**Crucified**

**Christ Crucified, c. 1632, by Diego Velázquez  
in the Museo del Prado, Madrid**

**The Cross ...**

**What do YOU make of the Cross?**

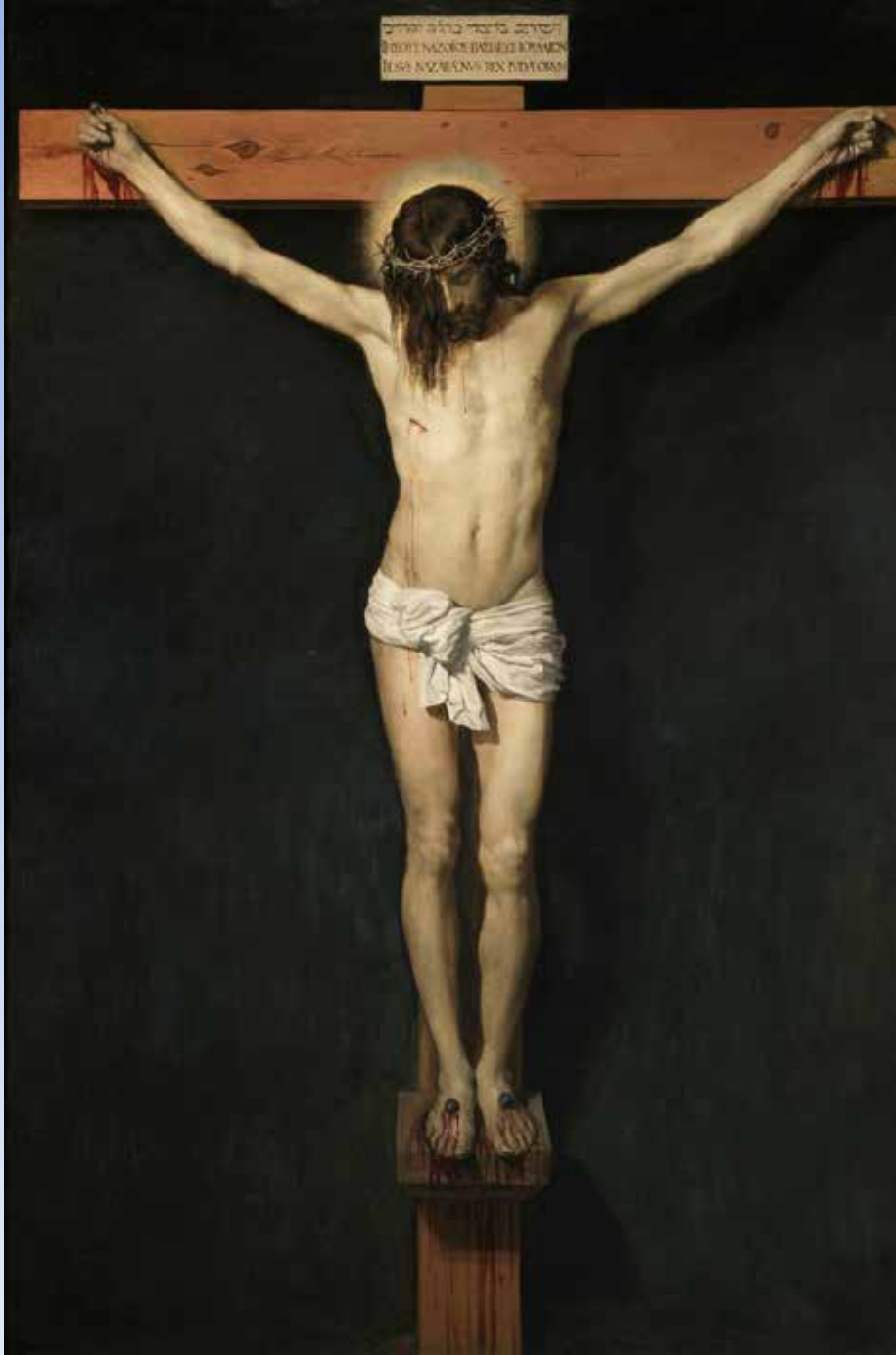
**What do YOU make of Jesus' Death?**

**Most important question in the  
History of the World.**

**What do YOU make of, say, think, feel,  
regarding the CROSS?**

**Your response ... determines ALL**

Christ Crucified, c. 1632  
by Diego Velázquez  
Museo del Prado, Madrid



Christ Crucified, c. 1632, by Diego Velázquez  
in the Museo del Prado, Madrid

There He is ... King of Kings ...

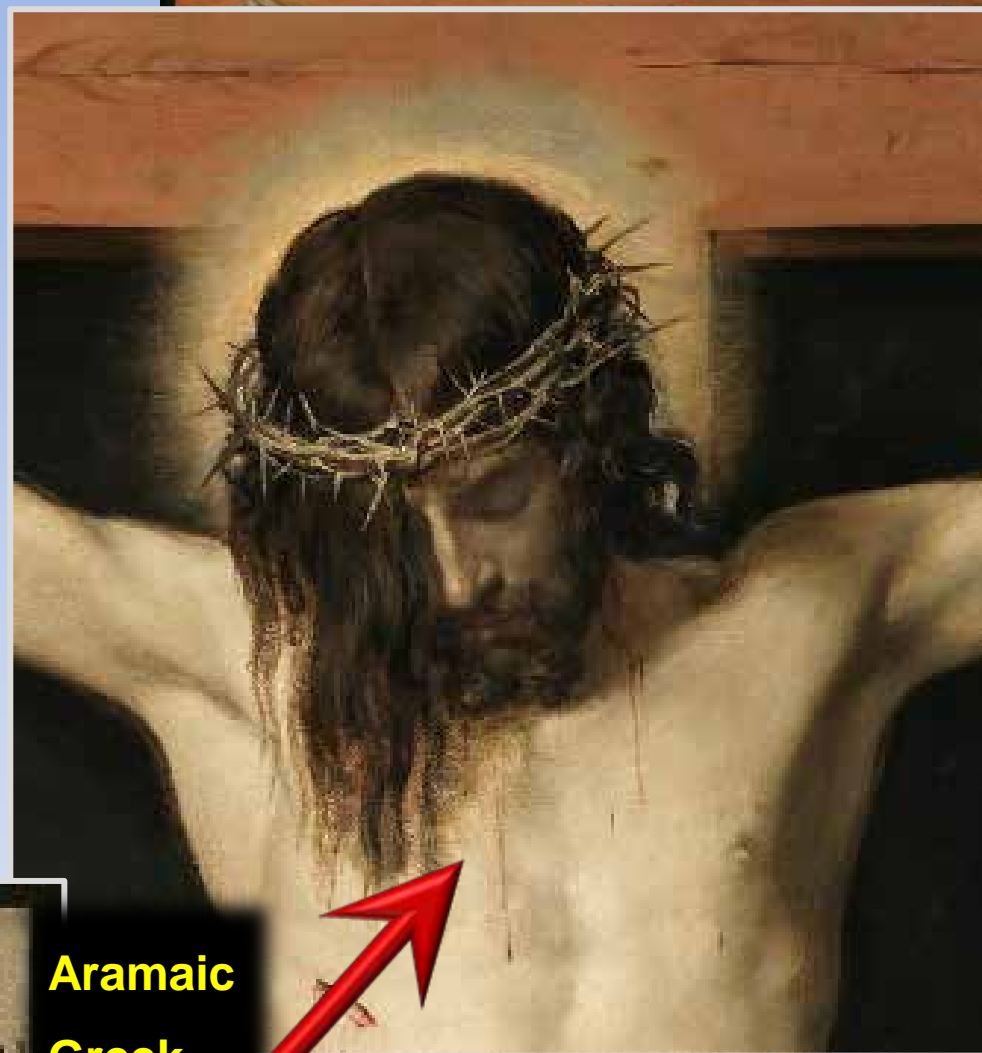
Signed *Jesus Nazarene King of Jews*

Dying ... after humiliation & torture

Dying ... after **HEALING** so many

Dying ... after **RAISING** the dead

Dying ... after **LOVING** so many



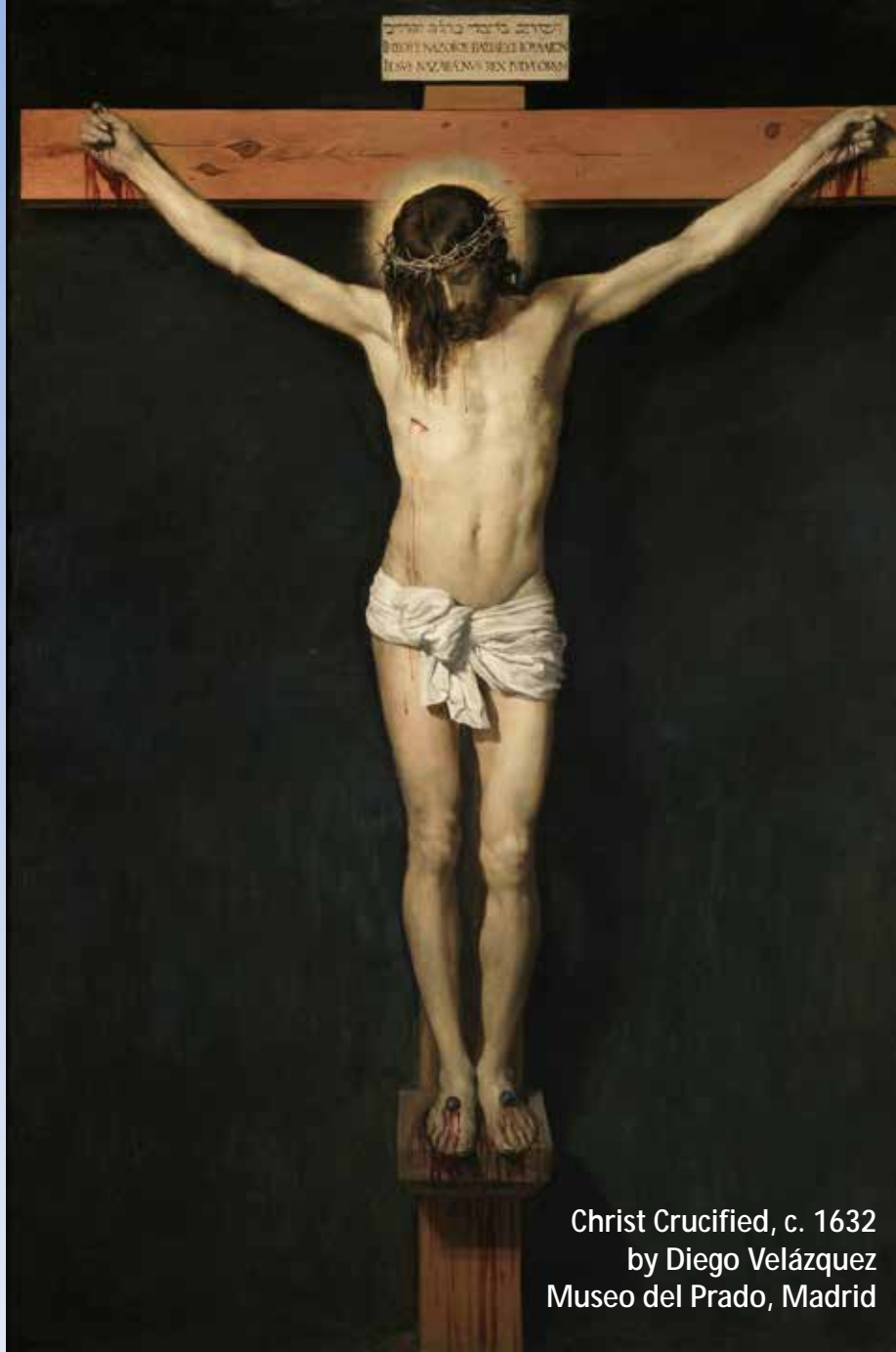
Only John  
gives the  
whole sign

ܕܝܫܘܥ ܢܙܪܝܢ ܡܠܟ ܡܠܟ ܝܗܘܕܝܐ  
ΙΗΣΟΥΣ ΝΑΖΟΡΕΩΣ ΒΑΣΙΛΕΥΣ ΙΟΥΔΑΙΩΝ  
IESVS NAZARENVS REX IVDÆORVM

Aramaic  
Greek  
Latin

Christ Crucified, c. 1632  
by Diego Velázquez  
Museo del Prado, Madrid

Important – Jesus suffered horribly  
We ALL know this ... yet ... yet ...  
Yet it behooves us to THINK & Feel  
Jesus did NOT suffer physically MORE  
than ALL men or women ...  
We dare not ... and will **NOT detail**  
But some Men & Women HAVE truly  
suffered *physically* MORE than Jesus  
Some Men & Women HAVE truly  
been **HUMILIATED** more than Jesus  
We will NOT detail the ancient tortures



Christ Crucified, c. 1632  
by Diego Velázquez  
Museo del Prado, Madrid

Some of you ... maybe ALL of you

We grimace at the news of

- ✓ Serial Killers – real ones
- ✓ Movies like Texas Chainsaw **WHAT?**
- ✓ Halloween 1,2,3 ... Friday 13th ... Jack the **WHO?**



Furthermore, we don't have to look far to  
recall Horrendous Accidents ...



Burn Victims ... suffer for a YEAR or **YEARS**

Go ask ... or Google **DEBRIDEMENT**

SOME ... God have MERCY ...

SOME have suffered PHYSICALLY **MORE** than Christ did

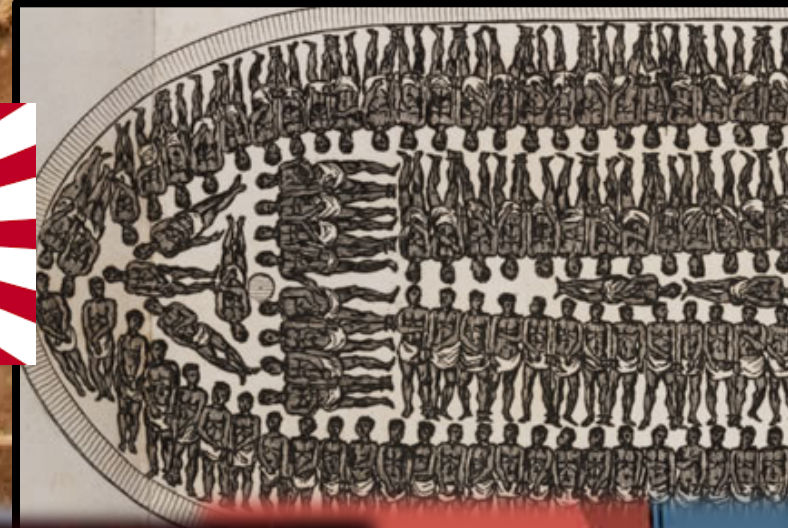
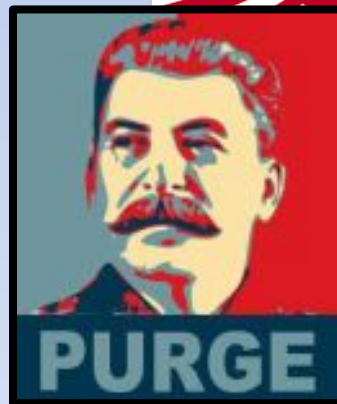
Some of you ... maybe ALL of you  
Know some of the tortures of BY the

- ✓ Ancient Assyrians
- ✓ American Indians
- ✓ American Slave Traders
- ✓ Nazi Holocaust
- ✓ WWII Japanese Prisons
- ✓ Stalin Purges

You've seen the photos ...

*Scenes well-known & gruesome*

Some STILL go on today



Some of you ... maybe ALL of you  
Know the meaning of torture, too

- ✓ To Make PAIN Last LONG
- ✓ To inflict PAIN Long
- ✓ That NO ONE Lasts
- ✓ That EVERYONE Caves

No person endures TORTURE  
ALL will CONFESS to ANYTHING  
We will NOT detail ANY of it ...

Yet, we ALL KNOW too well

*We will do almost ANYTHING to*



*The Pain*  
*WHEN WILL IT END?*



Almost  
**ANYTHING**  
to **STOP** the  
**PAIN**

Important – Jesus suffered a horribly

Even though **SOME** have suffered  
physically **MORE** ... than Christ

Yet, I dare say ... you know this TOO

*another Adult-Only Concept ... truly*

Revolves ALL around a very SIMPLE

Revolves ALL around a SIMPLE yet  
invisible, ubiquitous **HUMAN TRAIT**

**Free Will ... Christ's WILLINGNESS**

You see ... only adults muse about

**Free Will & Willingness**

**No CHILD even TOYS with Free Will**



Christ Crucified, c. 1632  
by Diego Velázquez  
Museo del Prado, Madrid

But You ... ALL of YOU can ...

And ALL of you immediately KNOW

No ONE ever has ... or ever WILL ...

**Suffer like Jesus ... WILLINGLY**

NO ONE will EVER suffer like that

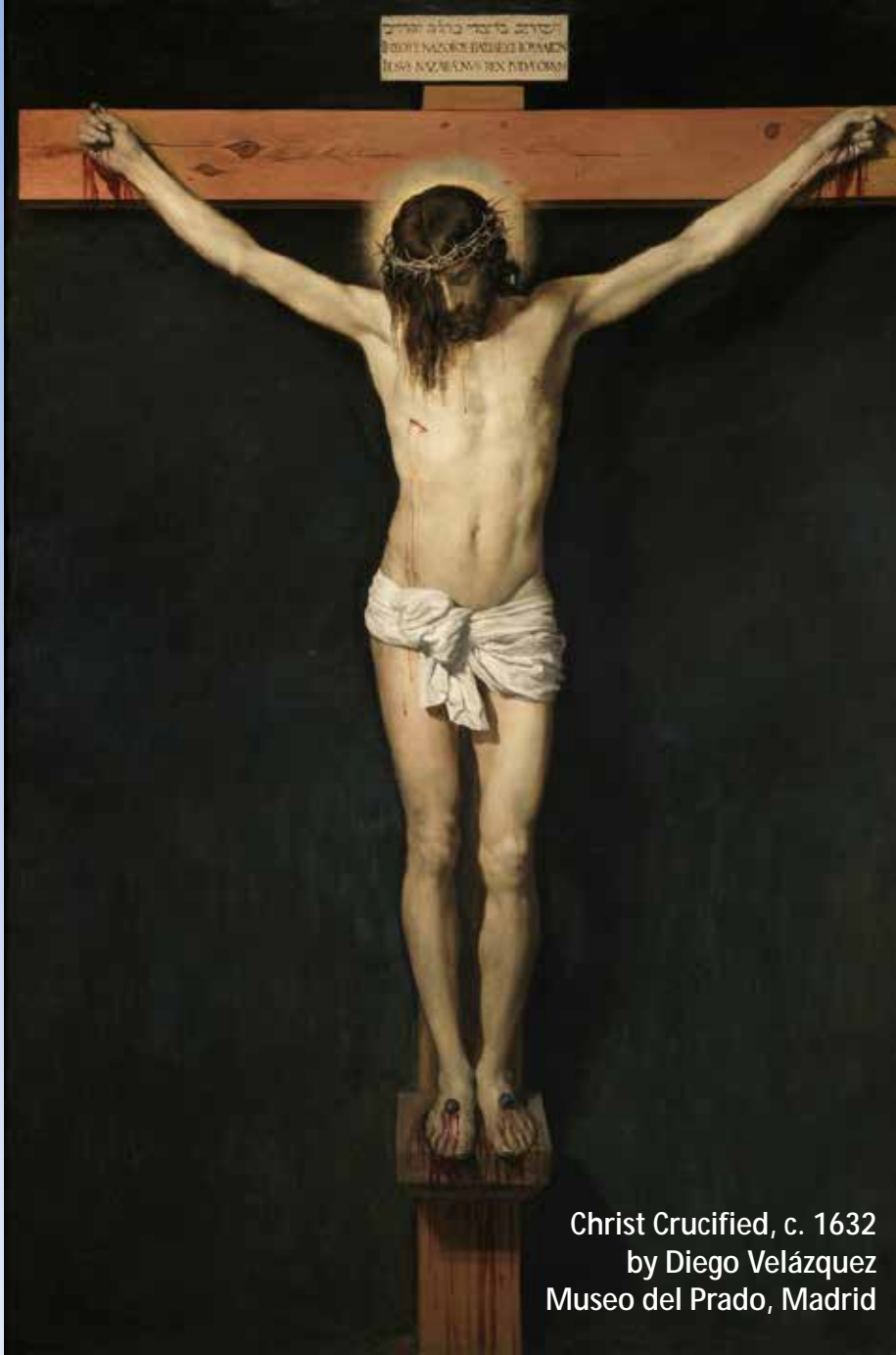
We will NOT SUFFER for those HATING us

In the **WILLINGNESS** of Christ ...

With the **POWER** to **END IT** with a wink

With the **POWER** to **WALK AWAY**

The **POWER** to call **Legions** of **Angels**



Christ Crucified, c. 1632  
by Diego Velázquez  
Museo del Prado, Madrid

**Willingness of Christ that**  
**Makes the Cross Great**

**Willingness of Christ that**  
**Makes Christ's Suffering Great**

**Willingness of Christ that makes**  
**Christ's LOVE the Greatest**

**Willingness of Christ that makes**  
**Christ's CROSS the**  
**Greatest Victory**



Christ Crucified, c. 1632  
by Diego Velázquez  
Museo del Prado, Madrid

No ONE will EVER willingly suffer so much

And NO ONE will EVER suffer

FOR the very ones HATING them

The Great Victory is His WILLINGNESS

We see the truest nature of LOVE

Add to the suffering ANOTHER factor

JUST for the UNJUST

INNOCENT for the Terribly GUILTY

Christ on the Cross

Greatest Victory of LOVE



Christ Crucified, c. 1632  
by Diego Velázquez  
Museo del Prado, Madrid

## **Via Dolorosa by Sandi Patty**

**on her 1991 album, Songs of the Heart**

**Her accomplishments have no end ... she's sung w**

- ✓ **New York Symphony Orchestra**
- ✓ **Boston Symphony Orchestra**
- ✓ **Prague Symphony Orchestra**
- ✓ **London Symphony Orchestra**
- ✓ **Atlanta Symphony Orchestra**
- ✓ **Cincinnati Pops**
- ✓ **Dallas Symphony**
- ✓ **Headlined the Yuletide Celebration with the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra**



**Via Dolorosa by Sandi Patty**

on her 1991 album, Songs of the Heart

**Down the Via Dolorosa in Jerusalem that day**

**The soldiers tried to clear the narrow street**

**But the crowd pressed in ... to see**

**A Man condemned to die on Calvary**

**He was bleeding from a beating,**

**There were stripes upon His back**

**And He wore a Crown of Thorns upon His head ...**

**But He CHOSE to walk that road**

**out of His LOVE For you and me.**

**Down the Via Dolorosa, all the way to Calvary.**

**The blood that would cleanse the souls of all men**

**Made its way to the Heart of Jerusalem.**



## 27:41-44 Mocked – King?

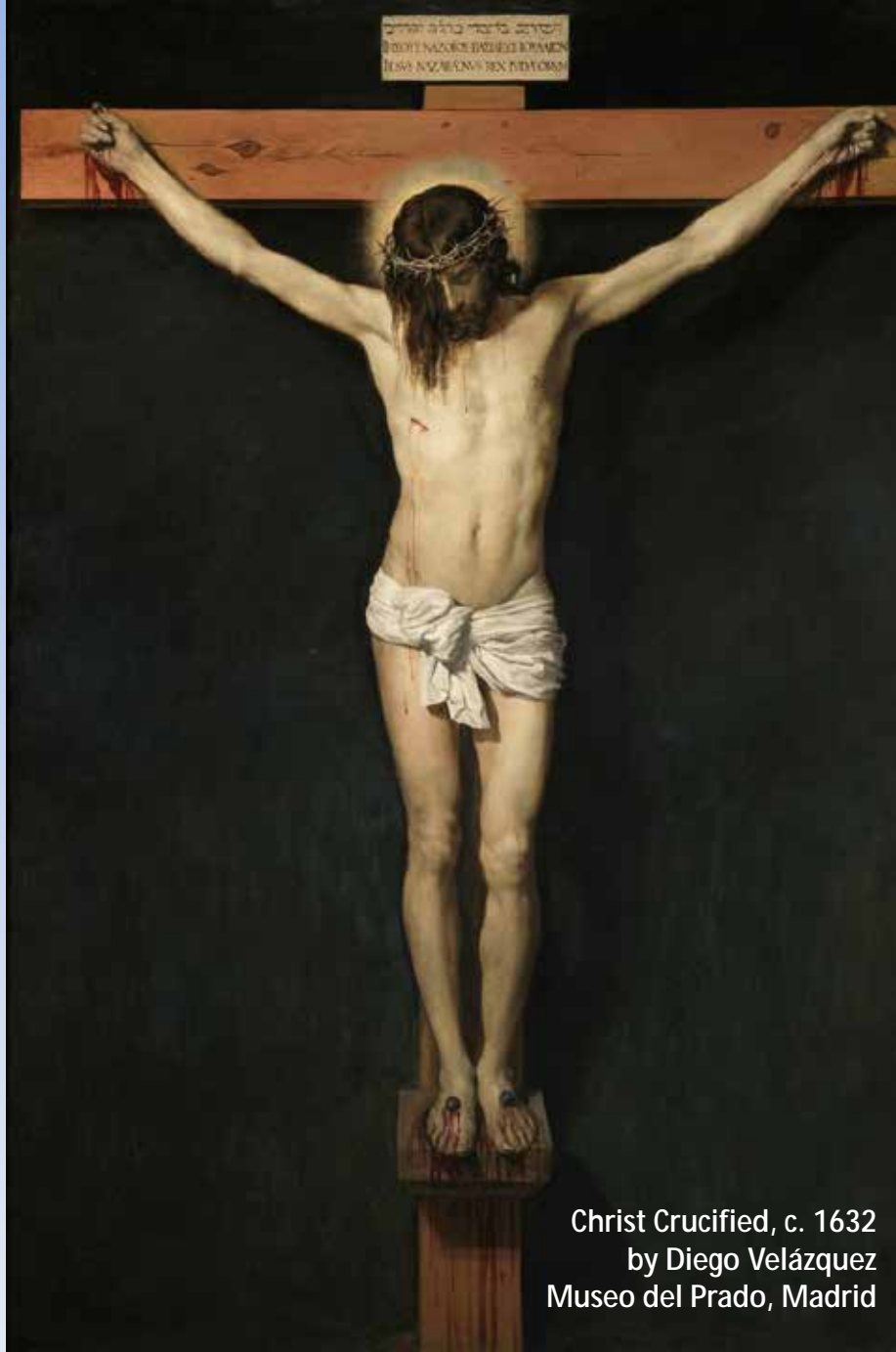
**41 In the same way the chief priests, with the scribes and elders, mocked Him and said,**

**42 "He saved others, but He cannot save Himself! He is the King of Israel!**

**Let Him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in Him.**

**43 He has put His trust in God; let God rescue Him now—If He wants Him! For He said, 'I am God's Son.' "**

**Oh my ... you also know this ... certainly you KNOW who was NOT saying that**



Christ Crucified, c. 1632  
by Diego Velázquez  
Museo del Prado, Madrid

## 27:41-44 Mocked – King?

Yes, even the criminals joined in:

**44 In the same way even the criminals who were crucified with Him kept taunting Him.**

You know who was NOT mocking Jesus

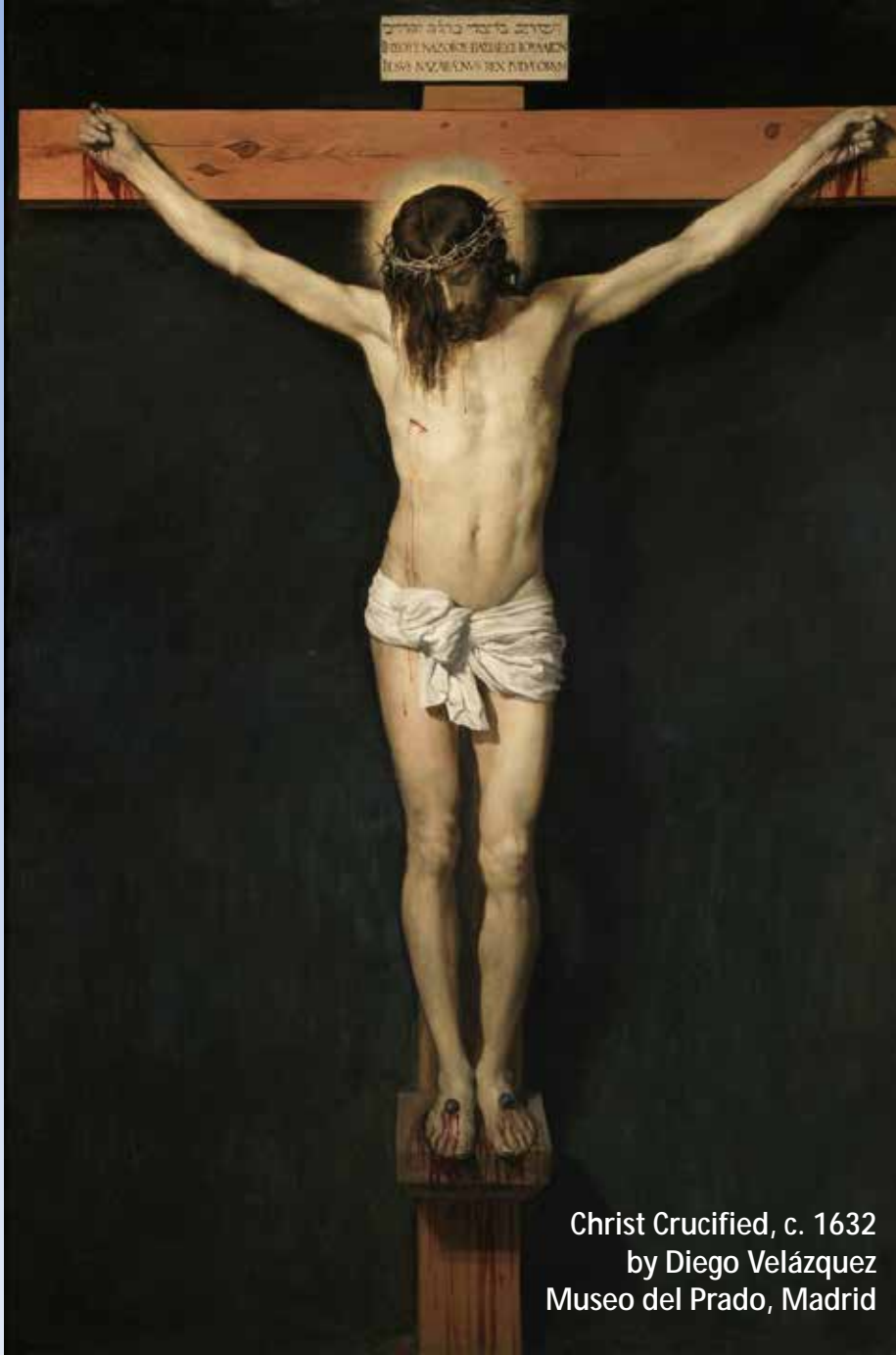
Yonder poor *ex-blind* nameless beggar  
called Bar-timaeus... *son of Timaeus*

Yonder Lepers ... ahh, rather Ex-Lepers

Yonder there ... see a man crying

Yonder in Bethany was Lazarus crying

And the disciples did NOT mock



Christ Crucified, c. 1632  
by Diego Velázquez  
Museo del Prado, Madrid

## 27:41-44 Mocked – King?

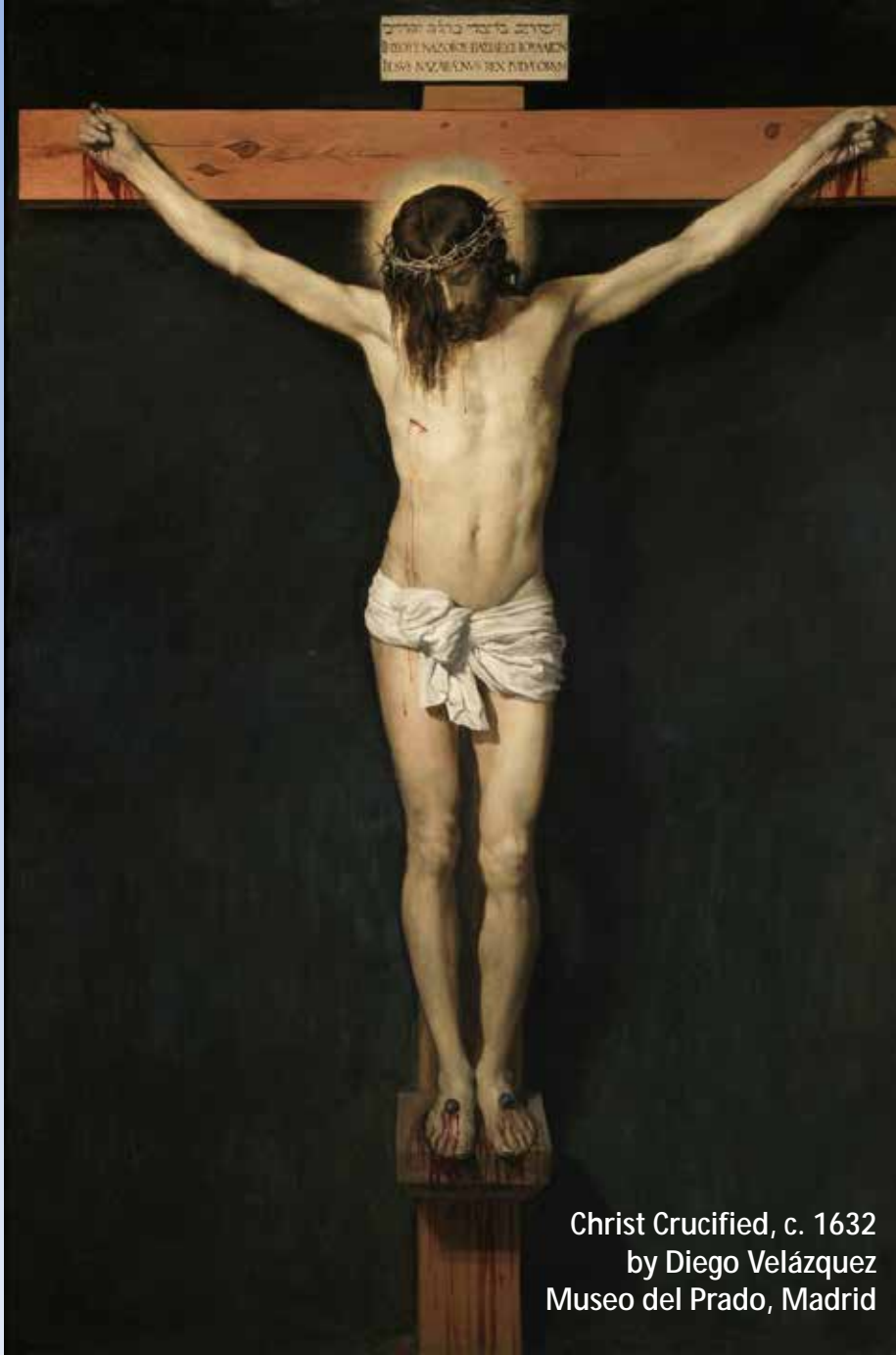
### AFTER THE CRUCIFIXION ...

**Matt. 27:55, Many women were there, watching from a distance. They had followed Jesus from Galilee to care for his needs.**

**Luke 23:48, When all the people who had gathered to witness this sight saw what took place, they BEAT THEIR BREASTS and went away.**

**Many people felt the injustice ...**

**Who were those “many women”  
and “all the people”?**



Christ Crucified, c. 1632  
by Diego Velázquez  
Museo del Prado, Madrid

## 27:41-44 Mocked – King?

Luke 23:49, **But ALL THOSE WHO KNEW HIM, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.**

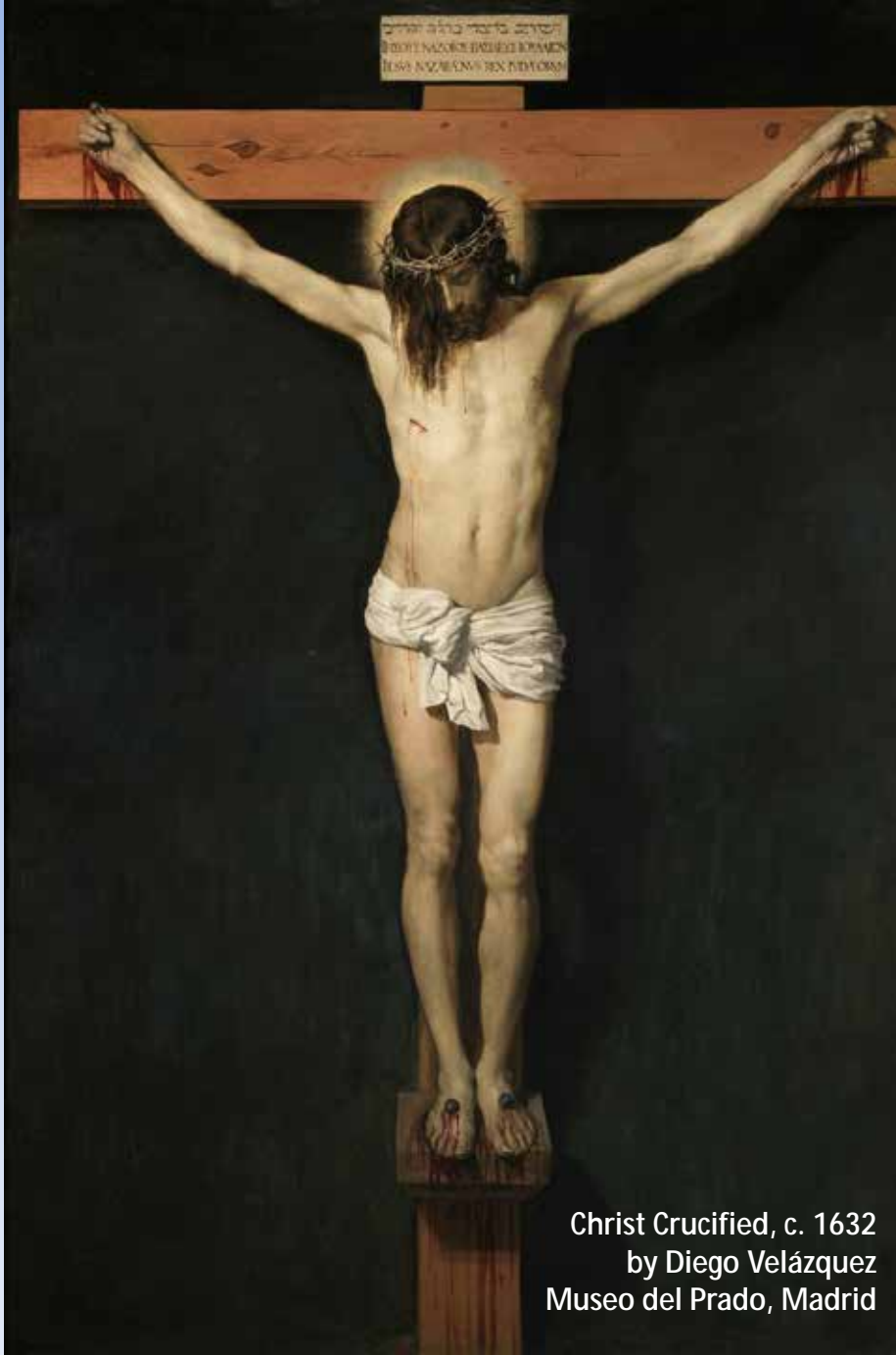
Not only were there **MANY** who felt the injustice ... there were

**all those *there* who knew him** including women who followed from Galilee

Remember, Jesus came the way of the Jordan River ... up from Jericho ...

Triumphant into ancient Jerusalem on a donkey just last Sunday

**This was Good Friday ...**



Christ Crucified, c. 1632  
by Diego Velázquez  
Museo del Prado, Madrid

## **27:41-44 Mocked – King?**

**Scripture tells a lot people, High Priests,  
and other “officials” mocked ...**

**Yet, there were many who did NOT mock**

**Many who FELT the injustice ...**

**Many who GRIEVED ...**

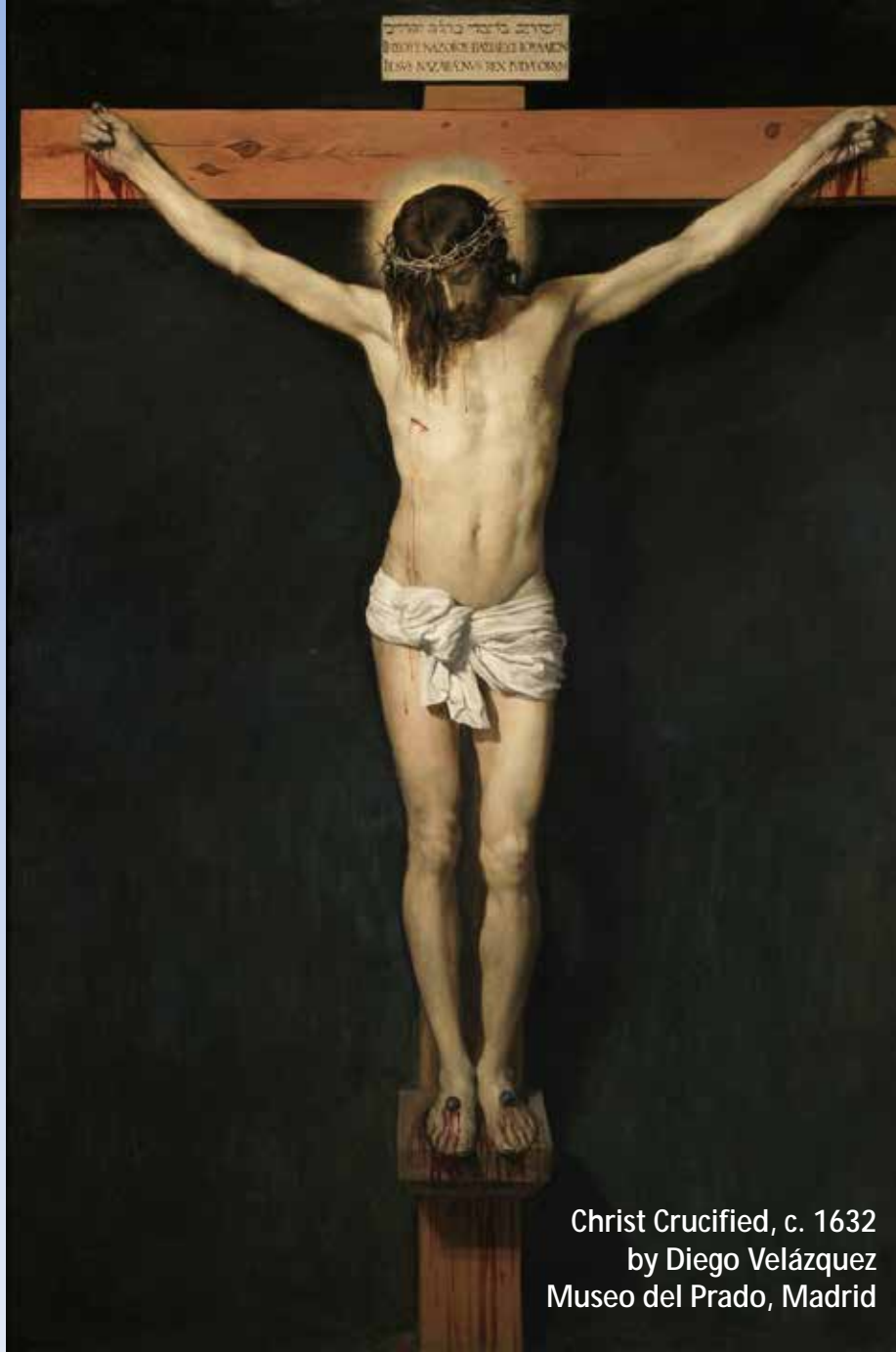
**Many Women and Men ...**

**Nameless beggar Bar-timaeus ... soon  
after the crucifixion ... many passed  
BACK through Jericho ...**

**Many passed BACK through Bethany**

**News ... the BAD News travelled fast**

**What a sight that was ...**



Christ Crucified, c. 1632  
by Diego Velázquez  
Museo del Prado, Madrid

## Seven Sayings of Christ from the Cross

1. Luke 23:34: **Father, forgive them,  
for they do not know what they do.**
2. Luke 23:43: **Truly, I say to you, today  
you will be with me in paradise.**
3. John 19:26–27: **Woman, behold your son.  
Son, behold your mother.**
4. Matt. 27:46 & Mark 15:34: **My God, My God,  
why have you forsaken me?**
5. John 19:28: **I thirst.**
6. John 19:30: **It is finished.**
7. Luke 23:46: **Father, into your hands  
I commend my spirit.**



Christ Crucified, c. 1632  
by Diego Velázquez  
Museo del Prado, Madrid

**27:45-49 Forsaken – “My God, My God”**

**From Jesus' long night ... to noon**

**45 From noon until three in the afternoon  
DARKNESS came over the WHOLE LAND.**

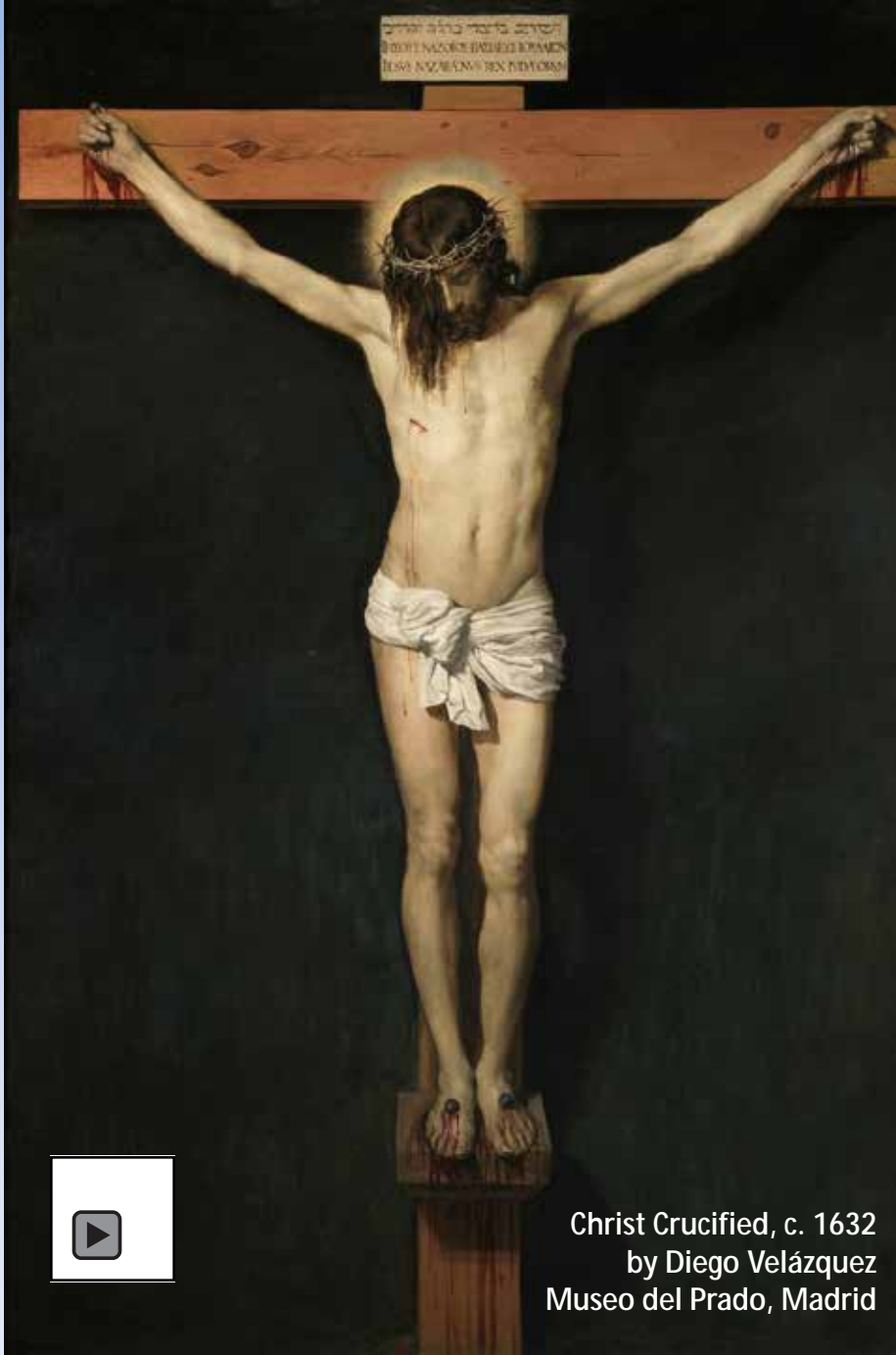
**46 At about three in the afternoon  
Jesus cried out with a loud voice,**

**"Elí, Elí, lemá sabachtháni" that is, "My  
God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"**

**Of all the seven sayings,  
this is the most troublesome ...**

**We all have an inclination ...**

**God the Father turned away as  
Christ bore the sin of the world**



Christ Crucified, c. 1632  
by Diego Velázquez  
Museo del Prado, Madrid

## 27:45-49 Forsaken – “My God, My God”

Clearly Psalm 22:1 is quoted ...

Some have said that Jesus may have quoted all of Psalm 22 ... so

**"Elí, Elí, lemá sabachtháni ?" that is, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"**

Is he a ... ah ... *quoting of Scripture*

This IS a quote from Psalm 22:1

MANY see Psalm 22 throughout the Passion of Christ ...

In need, I've quoted a Scripture too



Christ Crucified, c. 1632  
by Diego Velázquez  
Museo del Prado, Madrid

**27:45-49 Forsaken – “My God, My God”**

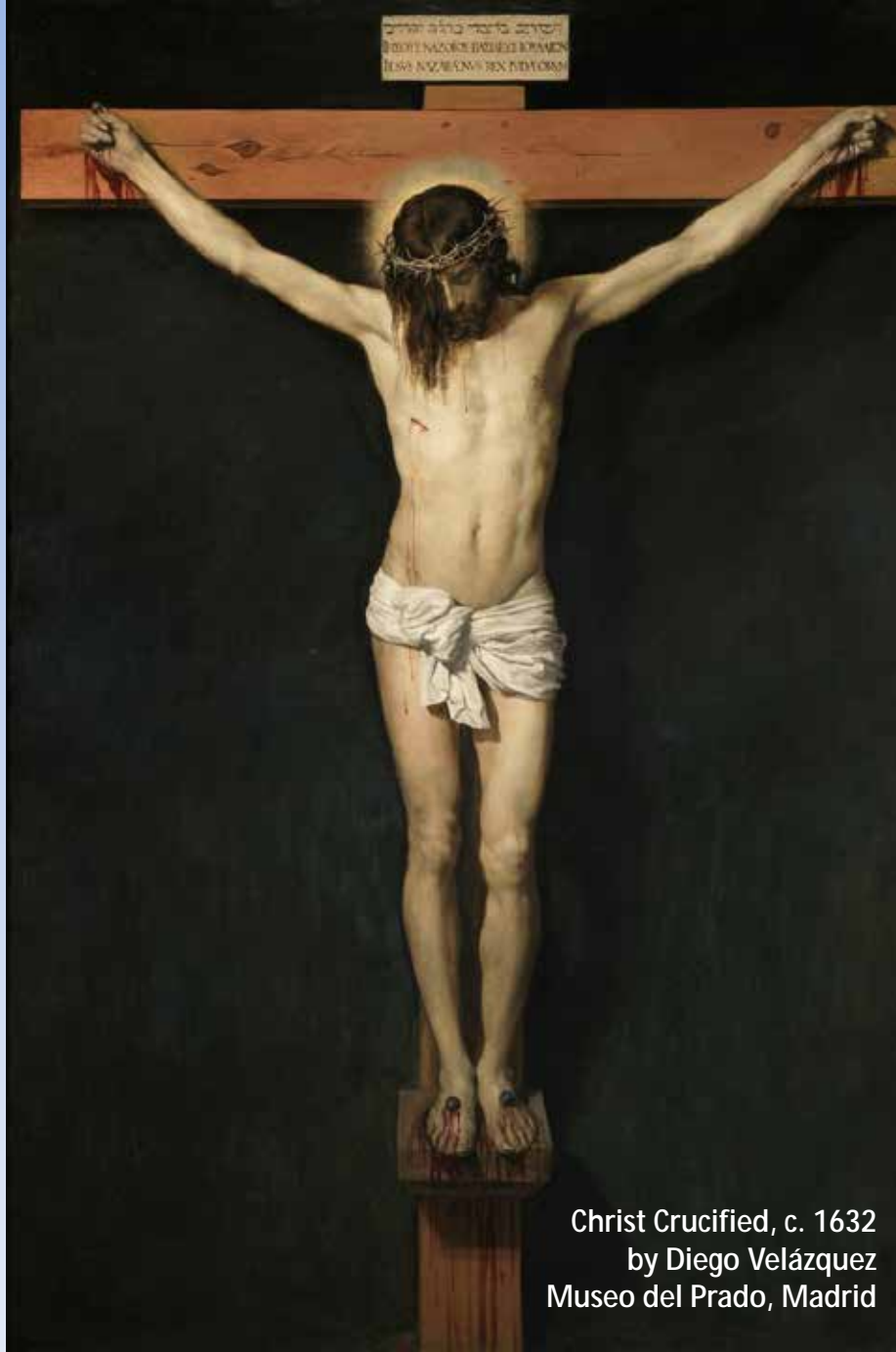
**"Elí, Elí, lemá sabachtháni?" that is, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"**

**What is the MEANING of this?**

Ernst Käsemann (1906-98), Lutheran Professor of New Testament in Germany, said **Jesus died as he LIVED, with God's word on his lips with an unshaken trust in God alone who is always one's true help.**

Many verses of Psalm 22 are quoted,  
and Jesus **KNEW** the **Scriptures** better  
Better ... than ... ANYONE ... EVER

**Psalm 22 starts bleak & ends in FAITH**



Christ Crucified, c. 1632  
by Diego Velázquez  
Museo del Prado, Madrid

## **27:45-49 Forsaken – “My God, My God”**

In looking at Psalm 22:1 & 2 ...  
in view of all of Psalm 22 ...

When Jesus said those fearful words

**"Elí, Elí, lemá sabachtháni?"** that is, **"My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"**

Could Jesus be quoting Scripture AND  
revealing his FEELING of isolation?

Could Jesus have been EXPRESSING  
His true FEELING in a quote?

And ... in so quoting ... and FEELING  
**then God has NOT truly forsaken**

**For Jesus ... it just FEELS like that**



Christ Crucified, c. 1632  
by Diego Velázquez  
Museo del Prado, Madrid

## 27:45-49 Forsaken – “My God, My God”

In looking at Psalm 22:1 & 2 ...  
in view of all of Psalm 22 ...

Look at Psalm 22:1 & 2 ...

**<sup>1</sup> My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, so far from my cries of anguish?**

**<sup>2</sup> My God, I cry out by day, but you do not answer, by night, but I find no rest.**

***REST of Psalm 22 shows FAITH in God***

**All FOUR Gospels add unique elements**

**NONE of the four Gospels shares ALL**

**Maybe Jesus DID quote more**



Christ Crucified, c. 1632  
by Diego Velázquez  
Museo del Prado, Madrid

**27:45-49 Forsaken – “My God, My God”**

Yet even Käsemann's *Jesus died as he LIVED, with God's word on his lips*

STILL seems a bit SHORT on clarity

**"Elí, Elí, lemá sabachtháni?"**

We will NEVER know for sure ...

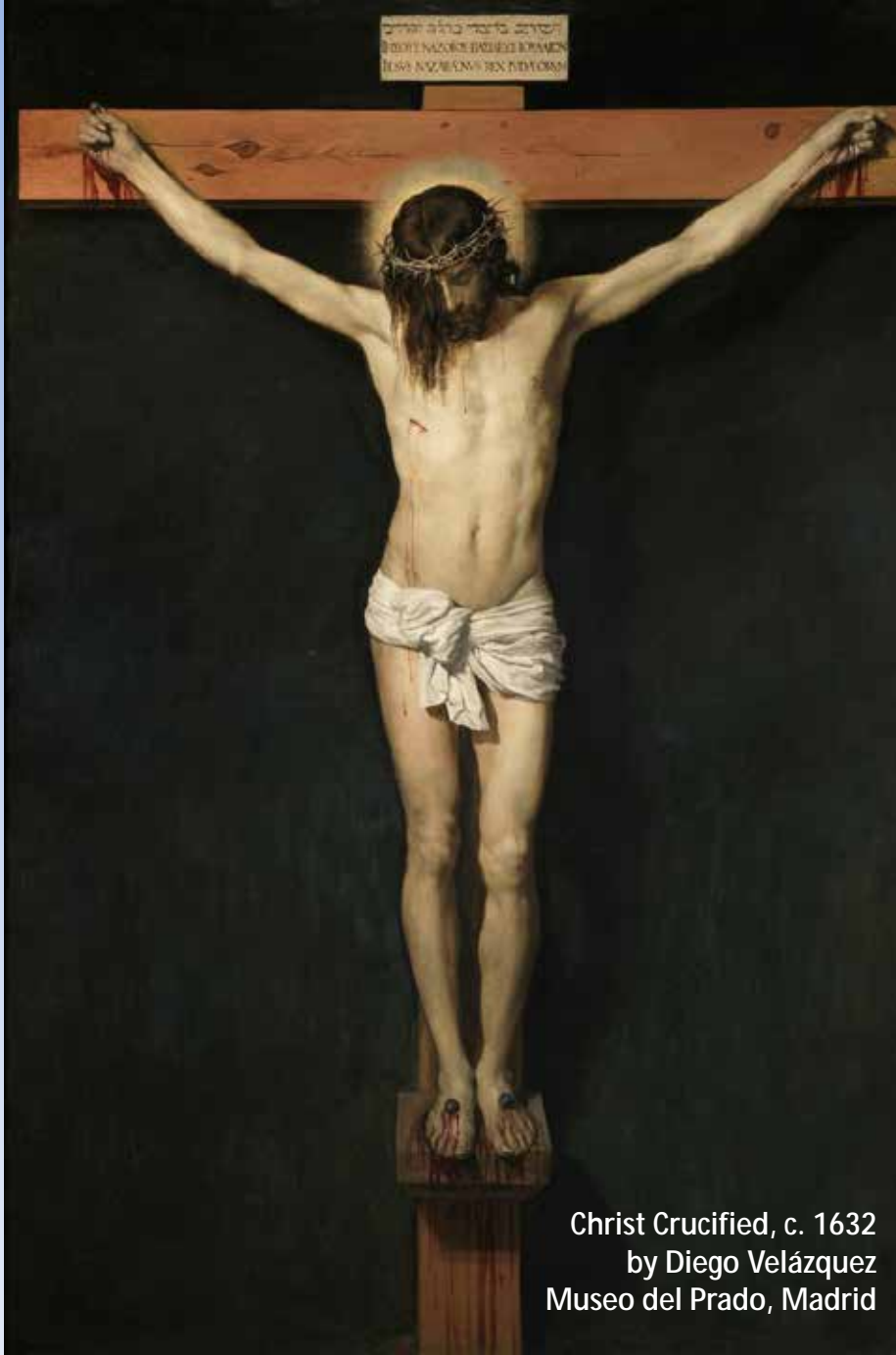
But what we DO KNOW gives us comfort

Who was Jesus saying this to?

God, of course ... **Jesus to God Almighty**

Whatever it wholly means, it does  
NOT mean that Jesus believed that

**God ABANDONED Jesus**



Christ Crucified, c. 1632  
by Diego Velázquez  
Museo del Prado, Madrid

**27:45-49 Forsaken – “My God, My God”**

Recall the poem, Footprints in the Sand

Recall that Jesus KNEW the Bible

***Knew the Bible BETTER anyone ever!***

Recall that Jesus was a man of honor

Recall that Jesus did not merely BELIEVE

**that God the Father  
was a God of HONOR**

Jesus KNEW ...

Jesus **KNEW** God the Father was

**TRUE ... FAITHFUL**



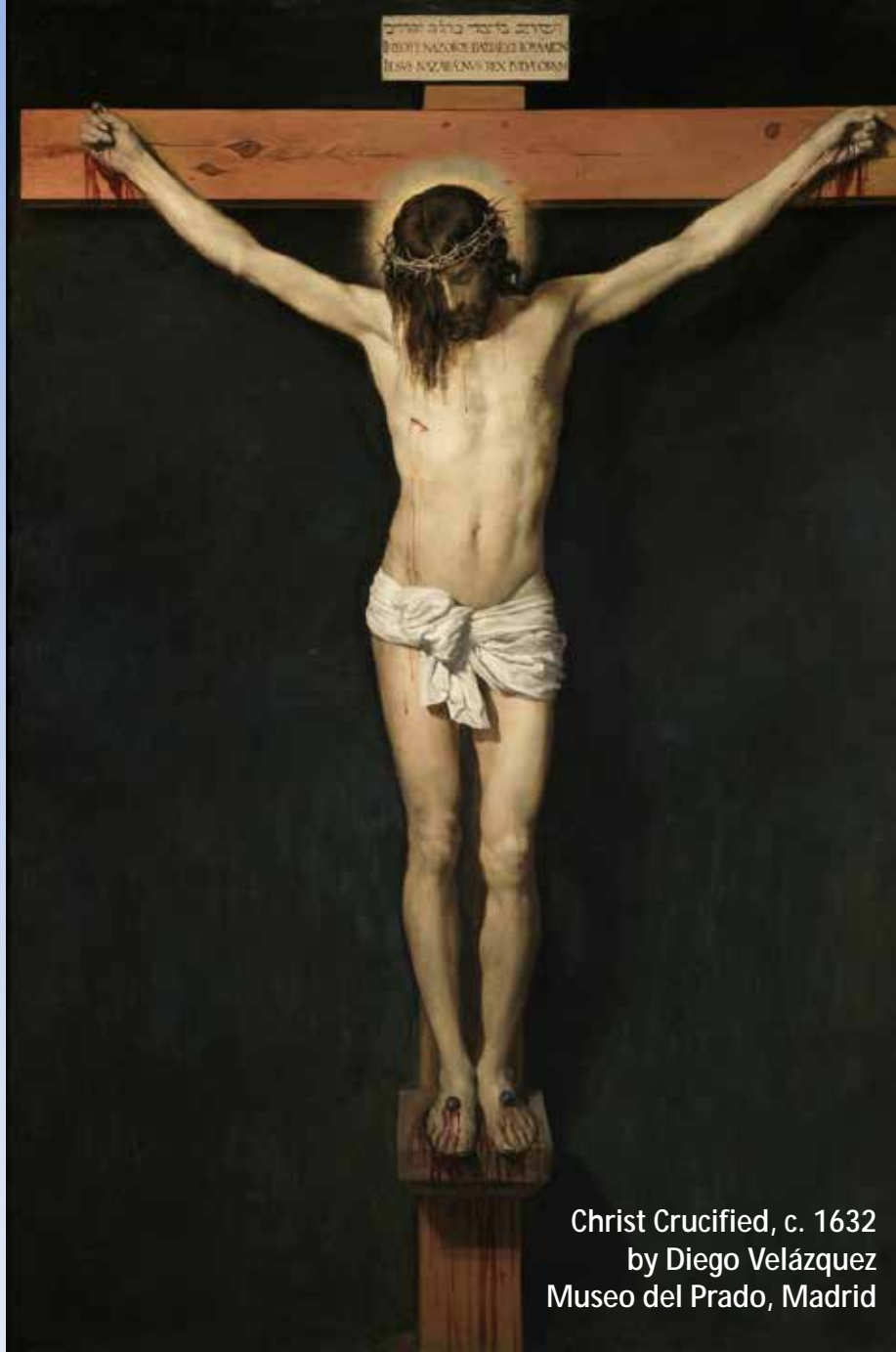
Christ Crucified, c. 1632  
by Diego Velázquez  
Museo del Prado, Madrid

**27:45-49 Forsaken – “My God, My God”**

Recall the poem, Footprints in the Sand  
Jesus KNEW God the Father from the  
Foundation of the WORLD ... the *Big Inning*  
Jesus KNEW God the Father would

**KEEP His Promises  
and Raise Him**

**God never LEFT**  
*in fact, look closer*  
*see the Rest of the Story*



Christ Crucified, c. 1632  
by Diego Velázquez  
Museo del Prado, Madrid

**27:45-49 Forsaken – “My God, My God, WHY....”**

**47 When some of those standing there  
heard this, they said,  
"He's calling for Elijah!"**

**48 Immediately one of them ran and got a  
sponge, filled it with sour wine, fixed it  
on a reed, and offered Him a drink.**

**49 But the rest said, "Let's see if Elijah  
comes to save Him!"**

**As the people swarmed around ...**

**As some mocked ... some grieved**

**Jesus finished His Seven Sayings**



Crucifixion, seen from the  
Cross, c. 1890, by James Tissot



**Darkness covered the**

**<sup>50</sup> Jesus shouted again with a loud voice and gave up His spirit.**

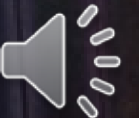
**<sup>51</sup> Suddenly, the curtain of the sanctuary was split in two from top to bottom; the earth quaked and the rocks were split.**

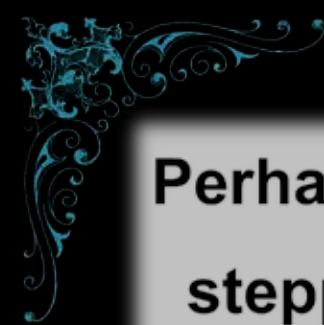
**Who TORE the curtain?**

**God could have sent Angels**

**GOD Himself could have reached down and TORE it Himself**

**Ahhh ... but there is more**





Perhaps, Michael the Archangel  
stepped forward and said,

**“Allow me. I’ll tear the curtain.”**

Several others angels chimed in

**“Yeah ... let me ... let me ...”**

GOD Almighty raised his mighty  
hand ... the HAND that moved  
over the waters in the BEGINNING

**God said, “I GOT THIS.”**

God reached down from heaven

***Tore the Curtain Himself***





**Assignment**  
**COMPLETE**  
*it is Finished*



**Darkness covered the whole land ... whole earth ...**

**Who do YOU think pulled the shades over the Sun?**

**You do NOT believe it was a *mere* eclipse?**

**God made the Sun to rule the DAY ... and  
the Moon to what? ... rule the NIGHT**

**God made the WORLD ... He sure could REVOKE those rights**

**God sure could cancel the Sun's and Moon's RIGHTS**

**Oh my ... dear brothers and sisters ...**

**God was there ... milling about ...**

**God was THERE ... *no place else***

**If EVER there was a place ... **GOD was There****





**Then ... another miracle ...**

**God paroled the Sun ...**

**Allowed the Sun to return to the DAY**

**People could SEE ...**

**They SAW, too, like they never SAW before**

**It was a NEW DAY now**





**They SAW, too,**

**Like never, ever before ... they saw**

**NEW DAY ... New Era**

**Christ in the GRAVE ... waiting to be raised**

**Christ ... preaching to the spirits in prison**





**Then ... as the Sun ... loosed all its shackles**

**As the sun arose again on the SAME DAY ...** *or clouds cleared*

**Matthew describes an amazing sight**

**<sup>52</sup> The tombs also were opened and MANY bodies of the SAINTS who had gone to their rest were RAISED.**

**At first we hesitate ... what time is this? ...**

**While CHRIST is still in the GRAVE ...**

**others RISE?**





No ... no, no ... Matthew *further* clarifies ...

**53 And they came out of the tombs  
AFTER His Resurrection,  
Entered the holy city, and appeared to many.**

**AFTER His RESURRECTION,  
entered the holy city, and appeared to many.**

**What a sight ... never repeated in Scripture  
nor mentioned again**



# Jesus Christ

Forsaken ... Not Forgotten

**WILLING** to Travel the Via Dolorosa

**WILLING** to Bear the Whip


**WILLING** to wear the Crown of Thorns

**WILLING** to Carry His own Cross

**WILLING** to ***DIE*** for us ... **FORSAKEN**

**NEVER** Forgotten





**To This DAY  
We Remember  
He Died that We May LIVE  
No Greater LOVE  
Hath Any Man**



FBC Woodville  
Sunday School Class  
Michael G. Maness  
see  
[PreciousHeart.net/SS](http://PreciousHeart.net/SS)

