

# **The Handling of the Physical Body of Jesus Christ, the Passover Lamb, the Pierced God-Man**

John 19:31-42



# Prophecies about Jesus relating to John Chapters 18-19

- Jesus betrayed by a “friend” for 30 silver coins
- Only Jesus is captured while all the disciples are allowed to remain free
- Peter denying three times the Lord Jesus
- Jesus put to death on a cross rather than stoning
- Jesus not defending Himself, but silent before His accusers

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- Jesus associated with evil doers
- Jesus called the “King of the Jews”
- Jesus put to death outside the city, as a sin offering
- Jesus dying during Passover, as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world
- The soldiers casting lots over Jesus’ clothes
- Being thirsty during the time of His suffering

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# Passover Week

- Thursday, Nisan 14<sup>th</sup>, Passover meal
- Friday, Nisan 15<sup>th</sup>, day of Preparation, arrest and crucifixion take place
- Saturday, Nisan 16<sup>th</sup>, special Sabbath, day after the day of Preparation, no work is done
- Sunday, Nisan 17<sup>th</sup>, Resurrection Sunday
- Thursday, Nisan 21<sup>st</sup>, last day of Passover

## Deuteronomy 21:22-23

- " If a man has committed a sin deserving of death, and he is put to death, and you hang him on a tree, **his body shall not remain overnight on the tree**, but **you shall surely bury him that day**, so that you do not defile the land which the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance; for he who is hanged *is accursed of God*.

## Psalm 16:8-10

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- I have set the LORD always before me;  
Because *He is* at my right hand I shall not be moved. Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoices; **My flesh also will rest in hope.** For **You will not leave my soul in Sheol, Nor will You allow Your Holy One to see corruption.**

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## Exodus 12:5-6, 46

- 'Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year. You may take *it* from the sheep or from the goats. 'Now you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month. Then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at twilight.
- "In one house it shall be eaten; you shall not carry any of the flesh outside the house, **nor shall you break one of its bones.**

## John 1:29

- The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold! **The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!**"

## 1 Corinthians 5:7

- Therefore purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, since you truly are unleavened. For indeed **Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us.**

## John 10:17-18

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- "Therefore My Father loves Me, because I lay down My life that I may take it again. No one takes it from Me, but I lay it down of Myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This command I have received from My Father."

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## Zechariah 12:10

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- " And I will pour on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem the Spirit of grace and supplication; then **they will look on Me whom they pierced**. Yes, they will mourn **for Him** as one mourns for *his* only son, and grieve for Him as one grieves for a firstborn.

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# Ephesians 4:9

- (Now this, "He ascended" -- what does it mean but that **He also first descended into the lower parts of the earth?**

## 1 Peter 3:18-20

- For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit, by whom also He went and preached to the spirits in prison, who formerly were disobedient, when once the Divine longsuffering waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight souls, were saved through water.

# The Fear of the Jewish Authorities

- **John 7:13** However, no one spoke openly of Him **for fear of the Jews**.
- **John 9:22** His parents said these *things* because **they feared the Jews**, for the Jews had agreed already that if anyone confessed *that He was Christ*, he would be **put out of the synagogue**.

## John 12:42-43

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- Nevertheless even among the rulers many believed in Him, but because of the Pharisees they did not confess *Him*, lest they should be put out of the synagogue; for they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God.

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- It was buried in a respectable tomb (John 19:41-42)

## Isaiah 53:9

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- And they made His grave with the wicked --  
But **with the rich at His death**, Because He  
had done no violence, Nor *was any* deceit in  
His mouth.

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