

The Cross of Christ: Then and Now

HELPFUL SCRIPTURES

1 Cor. 1:18, 23-25

SERMON NOTES

I. The Scouring: _____

A. Roman scourging involved a whip called a flagrum with lead weights, pieces of bone and metal.

1. **Isaiah 53:5**, “*But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities...*”

1 Peter 2:24

II. The Crown of Thorns: _____

A. **John 19:2-3**, “*And the soldiers wove a crown of thorns and put it on His head . . .*”

1. Thorns represent the curse from the fall

Genesis 3:18

1 Timothy 6:15

Galatians 3:13

III. The Carrying of the Cross: _____

A. **John 19:17**, “*So they took Jesus, and he went out, bearing his own cross...*”

1. Carrying a cross meant total shame and public rejection. It declared a person’s guilt and defeat.

Luke 9:23

1 Peter 2:23

IV. The Nails: _____

A. **Colossians 2:14**, “...*having cancelled out the certificate of debt consisting of decrees against us and which was hostile to us; and He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.*”

1. Roman crucifixion used nails as a final, irreversible sentence. It says, “This one is finished.”

Ephesians 2:15

1 John 3:4

Romans 7:6-7

Romans 8:1

V. The Cry: “It Is Finished!” – _____

A. **John 19:30**, “*When Jesus therefore had received the sour wine, He said, ‘It is finished!’*”

- 1 The words, “*It is finished*” are translated from the Greek term, “Tetelestai (τετελεσται).”

Hebrews 10:14

Conclusion: The Power of the Cross Today

Galatians 6:14

1 Corinthians 2:2

Luke 9:23

Romans 8:1

Romans 6:3; Galatians 3:27