

Condemned & Crucified **Matthew 27**

I. The Roman Trial – 27:1-26

1. Jesus is turned over to Rome – 1-2
Jewish Council condemn Him to death
But they cannot execute their prisoner
They are under Roman authority
Both Jew and Gentile condemn Him to death
He must bear the curse of crucifixion – Gal. 3:13
2. Judas' remorse – 3-10
Realized his guilt, betraying Jesus – 3-4
Tried to give back the 30 pieces of silver
He confesses sin – betrayed innocent blood
Leaving the money he committed suicide – 5
He hanged himself
3. Leaders troubled with blood money – 6-8
Could not put it in the treasury – 6
Bought a field to bury strangers – 7-8
4. Scripture again is fulfilled – 9-10
5. The trial begins – 11-14
Pilate asks are you King of the Jews? -11
Jesus answers in the affirmative
Jewish leaders make accusations – 12-14
Jesus does not respond to accusations
Pilate is amazed at His restraint
6. Pilate makes an offer – 15-25
Looks for a way out of his dilemma
Offers Jesus or Barabbas
He knew their motives – envy – 18
He heard his wife's advice – 19
But he felt the political pressure – 20-22
Leaders incited the crowd to cry for Barabbas
He tried to absolve himself of guilt – 23-24
He washed his hands claiming innocence
The Jews accept responsibility – 25
His blood is on us and our children
7. Pilate condemns Jesus to death – 26
Had Him scourged & crucified

II. Soldiers Mock Jesus – 27-32

1. Mocked Him as King of Jews – 27-30
Stripped Him of His clothing
Dressed Him in a scarlet robe & thorny crown
Put a reed in His hand as His scepter
Bowed to Him hailing Him as king
Spit on Him – Hit Him on the head with the reed
2. Re-clothed & led Him to crucify 31-32
Compelled Simon of Cyrene to carry the cross

III. At Golgotha – 33-44

1. He refused the drink they offered – 33-34
May have been to dull the senses
2. They cast lots for His clothes – 35

- In fulfillment of Scripture - Psa. 22:18
3. Crucifixion was a public display – 36-44
People sat down and watched – 36
Accusation was attached to the cross – 37
This is Jesus the King of the Jews
Two thieves crucified on either side – 38
Passing crowds reviled Him – 39-40
If you be the Son of God come down from the cross
Religious leaders mocked Him – 41-43
Save yourself and we will believe
Even the thieves mocked Him - 44

IV. Significance of His Death – 45-56

1. Separation from God – 45-46
3 hours of darkness over the land
Absence of the One who is the light
Jesus felt the agony of this separation
My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?
2. Witnesses did not understand – 47-49
Thought He was calling for Elijah to help
3. After 3 hours He gave up His life – 50
With a loud voice He dismissed His spirit
4. Veil in the Temple torn top to bottom – 51
Access now open to presence of God
5. Graves opened – saints arose – 52-53
After His resurrection many are raised
They appeared in the city of Jerusalem
6. Centurion's testimony – 54
Officer & soldiers saw earthquake & miracles
They said, "Truly this was the Son of God"
7. Women disciples also witnesses – 55-56
Followers of Jesus & ministered to Him
Among them: Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James & Joseph, the mother of Zebedee's children

V. Burial of Jesus – 57-66

1. Joseph's request to Pilate – 57-58
He was a follower of Jesus from Arimathea
Asked permission to bury Jesus – granted
2. Wrapped the body clean linen – 59
3. Put it in his own new tomb – 60
Rolled a stone over the opening of the tomb
4. Women watched the burial – 61
5. Jewish leaders request security – 62-66
Want guards to prevent disciples taking the body
Stone was sealed & guards stationed there