



IT IS FINISHED
JESUS IN THE GRAVE
JOHN 19:31-42

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1. Trust

(vv. 31-37)

John 19:31-42 (ESV)

31 Since it was the day of Preparation, and so that the bodies would not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken and that they might be taken away. 32 So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first, and of the other who had been crucified with him. 33 But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. 34 But one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water. 35 He who saw it has borne witness—his testimony is true, and he knows that he is telling the truth—that you also may believe. 36 For these things took place that the Scripture might be fulfilled: “Not one of his bones will be broken.” 37 And again another Scripture says, “They will look on him whom they have pierced.” 38 After these things Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, asked Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus, and Pilate gave him permission. So he came and took away his body. 39 Nicodemus also, who earlier had come to Jesus by night, came bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about seventy-five pounds in weight. 40 So they took the body of Jesus and bound it in linen cloths with the spices, as is the burial custom of the Jews. 41 Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb in which no one had yet been laid. 42 So because of the Jewish day of Preparation, since the tomb was close at hand, they laid Jesus there.

2. Boldy

(vv. 38-42)

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

- 1. Read 1 Peter 3:15.** What are some ways this message/passage will help you be able to give a “reason for the hope that is in you”?

2. What if a friend or relative told you, “You can’t trust the Gospels as reliable. It’s just a bunch of biased writing and myths.” How would you respond? What are some of the reasons we can trust the written record of Jesus that we have in Scripture?

- 3. Read John 19:36-37.** The last couple passages in John have brought up many fulfilled prophecies; which fulfilled prophecies have been most interesting or enlightening to you? How does the reality of all of this fulfilled prophecy get you more excited to read and understand the Old Testament?

4. You will not have the opportunity to give the body of Jesus an honorable burial this week. What are some of the ways you want to bring honor to the Savior this week? Why would some of those possibly be controversial in our culture?

5. Find a couple passages that remind you of how history is going to end and what the “right side of history” will be. How will these passages encourage you this week?

RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

Here are some books which may help you dig deeper into what we studied today. While Pastor Ben cannot endorse everything about each book/author, he does think these books are worth considering and reading.

Lutzer, Erwin. *We Will Not Be Silenced*. Harvest House Publishers, 2020.

McDowell, Josh and Sean McDowell. *More Than a Carpenter*. Tyndale Momentum. 2009.

Strobel, Lee. *The Case for Christ*. Zondervan. 1998.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray that more souls in the Treasure Valley would truly believe in Jesus Christ.

Pray that we would honor Christ no matter what.

Pray that we would remain confident in the reliability of the gospel.

Pray that our upcoming Women’s Retreat will help our women truly treasure God’s Word!

Pray that God will provide a long-term home for CBCTV through the Taking Ground project.

REVIVAL FROM THE BIBLE READING

Date	O.T.	Psalms	Gospels	N.T.
11/1	Jeremiah 42-43	Psalms 119:129-136	John 6:41-59	1 Peter 4
11/2	Jeremiah 44-46	Psalms 119:137-144	John 6:60-71	1 Peter 5
11/3	Jeremiah 47-48	Psalms 119:145-152	John 7:1-13	2 Peter 1:1-11
11/4	Jeremiah 49-50	Psalms 119:153-160	John 7:14-24	2 Peter 1:12-21
11/5	Jeremiah 51	Psalms 119:161-168	John 7:25-31	2 Peter 2
11/6	Jeremiah 52	Psalms 119:169-176	John 7:32-39	2 Peter 3:1-10