



Part 2:
**The Process Of
THE PASSION**

I. From Gethsemane to Golgatha

Gethsemane: “My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death... And being in anguish, he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat was like drops of blood falling to the ground.”
Mark 14:34; Luke 22:44

Annas' House: “They bound him and brought him first to Annas... one of the officials nearby struck him in the face.” From John 18:12,13 & 22

Caiaphas' House: “Then some began to spit at him; they blindfolded him, struck him with their fists, and said, ‘Prophesy!’ And the guards took him and beat him.” Mark 14:65

Under Pilate: “Then (Pilate) released Barabbas to them. But he had Jesus flogged (scourged), and handed him over to be crucified. Then the governor’s soldiers took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole company of soldiers around him. They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, and then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand and knelt in front of him and mocked him. ‘Hail, king of the Jews!’ they said. They spit on him, and took the staff and struck him on the head again and again. After they had mocked him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.” Matt. 27:26-31

Golgatha: “And when they came to the place called The Skull, there they crucified Him and the criminals, one on the right and the other on the left. But Jesus was saying, ‘Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.’” Luke 23:33-34

II. From Christ's Sufferings to My Sufferings

“For it is commendable if a man bears up under the pain of unjust suffering because he is conscious of God... To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps. ‘He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.’ When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly.” 1Pet. 2:19, 21-23

III. From Christ's Sacrifice to My Salvation

Daily Meditations

Here’s a chance to spend some time each day this week meditating today’s topic!

This week’s memory verse: “He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds we have been healed.” 1Pet. 2:24

Monday:

Read Mark 14:32-42 & Luke 22:39-46. Describe what happened to Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane.

What emotions was Jesus feeling?

What do you learn about Jesus in this part of the Passion?

For what situation in your life do you want (or need) to pray to God, ‘Your will but yours be done.’?”

Thank God today for the example set by Jesus. As Him to help you daily submit your will to His.

Tuesday:

Read Mark 14:53-65 & John 18:12-14, 19-24. Describe what happened to Jesus when he went before Annas and Caiaphas.

How did Jesus respond to being falsely accused and mocked?

Why is it difficult not to defend yourself when people say untrue things about you? What do you learn from Jesus’ example about responding to that situation?

What specific steps can you take this week to entrust your circumstances to God? How do you think that will impact your attitude?

Thank God today that He is with you each step of the way. Ask Him to give you a gracious and humble spirit. Talk to Him about circumstances in your life that trouble you. Commit those to His care and ask Him for wisdom to respond to your words carefully.

Wednesday:

Read Matt. 27:11-31. Describe Pilate’s attitude towards Jesus and his attitude towards Pilate.

What is Pilate’s overriding concern in the trial of Jesus?

Why do you think Pilate offered the crowd a prisoner exchange?

What do you think is most difficult about standing up for what is right?

Thank God today for the strength He gives you. Ask Him to help you grow in character. Pray that you'll have the discernment to know what is right and the courage to stand firm.

Thursday:

Read Mark 15:21-41 & Luke 23:33-46. How does reading this part of the Passion narrative impact you?

What did Jesus' death on the cross accomplish for you?

What did Jesus mean when He said that God had forsaken Him?

What encouragement do you draw from knowing that Jesus understands what it feels like to be lonely and isolated? How can that impact your life this week?

Thank God today for Jesus' death on the cross for you. Thank God for His constant presence with you because of Jesus' work on the cross.

Friday:

Read 1 Peter 2:19, 21-25 & 4:19. What is the difference between just and unjust suffering?

In what situation can you follow Christ's example of suffering without retaliating?

Write down three things you learn from Christ's example of suffering that you can apply to your life this week.

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Thank God today that He doesn't leave you on your own to figure out life. Ask Him to help you learn from Jesus' example in suffering. Pray that you'll have an increasingly godly attitude towards your own suffering.

Saturday

Today please finish any meditations you might have missed, and please pray for the services this weekend. Thank God today for the gift of salvation through His Son, Jesus. Ask God to help you grow in your