

The Book of John:
The Disciple Jesus Loved
Study Notes
Chapter 19 PT. 2: The Crucifixion

Introduction: We pick up in Chapter 19, just after Jesus was placed on the cross and crucified for you and for me!

John 19:23-42

Verse 23-24

John 19:23-24 (NASB) - ²³ Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took His outer garments and made four parts: a part to each soldier, and the tunic *also*; but the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece. ²⁴ So they said to one another, “Let’s not tear it, but cast lots for it, *to decide* whose it shall be.” ***This happened so that the Scripture would be fulfilled:*** “THEY DIVIDED MY GARMENTS AMONG THEMSELVES, AND THEY CAST LOTS FOR MY CLOTHING.” Therefore the soldiers did these things.

Understanding: This had to happen because Father spoke through David prophetically in **Psalm 22:16-18**.



Psalm 22:18 (KJV) – ¹⁸ They divide my garments among them, And they cast lots for my clothing.

Key: King David wrote this Prophetic Psalm, which points directly to the crucifixion of Jesus Christ.

Verse 25

John 19:25 (NASB) - ²⁵ Now beside the cross of Jesus stood His mother, His mother's sister, Mary the *wife* of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene.



Understanding: We always give honor to the faithful men who gave their lives for Jesus, without them we would not have the Word of G-d to follow today, but many women played major roles in supporting Jesus' ministry and following Him as His Disciples.

- John points out these three women specifically being at the cross.
- His mother, His mother's sister, Mary the *wife* of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene.



- Mary Magdalene was given the great honor to be the first woman to carry the Good News of Jesus' Resurrection.
- She was concerned for Jesus, not just in life but in death!
- Mary Magdalene was not loyal; she truly was Faithful, and her Faithfulness was rewarded.

Verses 26-27

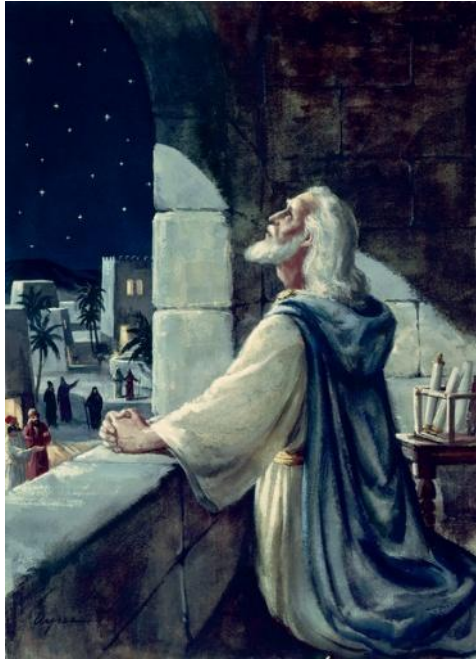
John 19:26-27 (NASB) - ²⁶ So when Jesus saw His mother, **and the disciple whom He loved** standing nearby, He said to His mother, "Woman, behold, your son!" ²⁷ Then He said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her into his own *household*.



Note: What a great honor was given to John to care for the mother of Jesus. His faithfulness is also rewarded and not only this but Father honored John by giving him the greatest Revelation of the End Times ever given to a man and allowed to reveal it!

Prophet Daniel: In Daniel 12:4 Given Strict Instructions

Daniel 12:4 (KJV) – ⁴ But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.



- Daniel had several vision recorded in Chapter 2, 4, 7, 9 and 10.
- Daniel was also Faithful to seal these things until the end of time.

Verse 28-30

John 19:28-30 (NASB) - ²⁸ After this, Jesus, knowing that all things had already been accomplished, **in order that the Scripture would be fulfilled**, said, “I am thirsty.” ²⁹ A jar full of sour wine was standing *there*; so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on *a branch of hyssop* and brought it *up* to His mouth. ³⁰ Therefore when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, “It is finished!” And He bowed His head and gave up His spirit.

Key: There was a first attempt to give Jesus relief from the pain in **Matthew 27:34**, but Jesus refused. Jesus chose to endure the crucifixion fully alert.

- This vinegar in **Matthew 27:34** was Mixed with gall and myrrh designed as a narcotic to dull the pain.
- In **John 19:29**, this vinegar was likely Posca, a common cheap drink to mock G-d.
- They did not know this was believed to be prophesied in **Psalms 69:21, a Psalm of David**.

Care of the Body of Jesus

Verses 31-33

John 19:31-33 (NASB) - ³¹ Now then, since it was the day of preparation, to prevent the bodies from remaining on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews requested of Pilate that their legs be broken, and *the bodies* be taken away. ³² So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first man, and of the other who was crucified with Him; ³³ but after they came to Jesus, when they saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs.

Key: Crucifixion is a very slow, torturous death. Soldiers broke the legs of crucifixion victims to hasten their deaths.

- The crucified victim periodically had to push himself up using his legs.
- Breaking the legs prevented him from doing that, thus hastening his death.
- They would suffocate.

Three Prophecies in the Old Testament For John 19:33 - “none of His bones will be broken”: Exodus 12:43-46, Numbers 9:12, Psalm 34:20.

Verse 34

John 19:34 (NASB) - ³⁴ Yet one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out.



Prophecy Fulfilled:

Zechariah 12:10 (KJV) – ¹⁰ And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn.

Blood signifies Redemption.

Water signifies Spiritual Cleansing.

Verses 35-37

John 19:35-37 (NASB) - ³⁵ And he who has seen has testified, and his testimony is true; and he knows that he is telling the truth, so that you also may believe. ³⁶ **For these things took place so that the Scripture would be fulfilled:** “NOT A BONE OF HIM SHALL BE BROKEN.” ³⁷ And again another Scripture says, “THEY WILL LOOK AT HIM WHOM THEY PIERCED.”

Matthew 5:18 (AMP) – ¹⁸ For I assure you *and* most solemnly say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or stroke [of the pen] will pass from the Law until all things [which it foreshadows] are accomplished.

Verse 38

John 19:38 (NASB) - ³⁸ Now after these things Joseph of Arimathea, being a disciple of Jesus, **but a secret *one* for fear of the Jews**, requested of Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus; and Pilate granted permission. So he came and took away His body.

- He was from the Judean town of Arimathea. All four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John) identify him as the man who took charge of Jesus' burial.
- Joseph of Arimathea was a wealthy, prominent member of the Jewish council (the Sanhedrin).

Verses 39-42

John 19:39-42 (NASB) - ³⁹ Nicodemus, who had first come to Him by night, also came, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about a hundred litras *weight*. ⁴⁰ So they took the body of Jesus and bound it in linen wrappings 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 *was* **a new tomb** in which no one had yet been laid. ⁴² Therefore because of the Jewish day of preparation, since the tomb was nearby, they laid Jesus there.



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