

# JESUS CHRIST CRUCIFIED BY MANKIND

About 2,000 years ago outside the city of Jerusalem, a man was nailed to a wooden cross like a criminal, surrounded by an inquisitive and mocking crowd.

Although he had helped many during His life and had never wronged anyone, He was rejected. The people's answer to His love was to put Him on the cross.

And how did that crucified Man respond? Patiently He bore the terrible pain and the biting derision. Instead of defending Himself or crying for help, He prayed to His God: "Father, forgive them, they don't know what they are doing". His love was stronger than the people's hatred

This crucified One, is Jesus Christ, the Son of God!

# JESUS CHRIST PUNISHED BY GOD

While Jesus was hanging on the cross, it suddenly became dark. For three hours He was no longer visible, because He was taking the punishment from God that we deserved for our sinful lives.

That's why, at the close, He cried out, "My God, My God, why have you for saken Me?" This cry of pain expressed the deep anguish which He was going through. In His never-ending love, He was bearing the judgement of God in the place of anyone who personally believes in Him.

After three hours it became light again and the Son of God called out, "It is finished!" Then He died. Through His suffering and death, He fulfilled the necessary requirements for the salvation of mankind.

This is what Jesus Christ did for you:

So you are being challenged today:

Christ indeed has once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God

The Bible, 1 Peter chapter 3, verse 18

And they said,
Believe on the
Lord Jesus and
you will be saved!

The Bible, Acts chapter 16, verse 31

### JESUS CHRIST, THE SAVIOUR

The message of the cross speaks of the amazing love of God. Jesus Christ died there to save sinful people from eternal judgement. How can we claim this deliverance for ourselves today?

#### REPENT AND BELIEVE IN THE GLAD TIDINGS.

The Bible, Mark chapter 1, verse 15

Anyone who admits that his life is not in order in God's eyes and confesses his sins to Him, can rely on the fact that Jesus Christ paid for his guilt on the cross. He will be relieved of his burden of sin and receive new life by faith.

This offer applies to you too. The Lord Jesus died on the cross for you and invites you to believe on Him and His work of salvation.

### JESUS CHRIST, THE JUDGE

The message of the cross shows us that the justice of God demands punishment for sins. That's why the Lord Jesus took that place under God's judgement for all those who believe.

If you ignore Jesus Christ and despise His work of salvation, you will remain weighed down with your burden of sin. For every wrong thing you have done, the justice of God is waiting for you after death.

## HE THAT BELIEVES ON HIM IS NOT JUDGED: BUT HE THAT BELIEVES NOT HAS BEEN ALREADY JUDGED.

The Bible, John chapter 3, verse 18

The message of the cross places a decision before you today: Will you accept Jesus Christ as your Saviour? Otherwise you will meet Him one day as your Judge!

For the word of the cross is to them that perish foolishness, but to us that are saved it is God's power.

The Bible, 1 Corinthians chapter 1, verse 18

Read the Bible - the Word of God!

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