Day of the Cross... IT IS FINISHED!

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[0:00] There are 23. We are into the crucifixion. It dropped out.

32. Read quite a bit here. Luke 23. 32. There were also two other.

Malefactors. I mean criminals. Live with him. To be put to death. And when they would come to the place. Which is called Calvary. There they crucified him.

And the malefactors. One on the right hand. The other on the left. Then said Jesus father. Forgive them. For they know not what they do.

They parted his raiment. And cast lots. And the people stood beholding. And the rulers also with them. Derided him. Saying.

[1:01] He saved others. Let him save himself. We be Christ. The chosen God. And the soldiers also mocked him. Coming to him.

And offered him vinegar. And saying. Thou be the king of the Jews. Save thyself. And the superscription also. Written over him. In letters of Greek.

In Latin and Hebrew. This is the king of the Jews. And one of the malefactors. Which were hanged. He railed on. Saying.

If thou be Christ. Save thyself. Dost. But the other. Answering. Rebuking. Dost not thou fear God.

Seeing thou art. In the same condemnation. And we indeed. Justly. For we receive. The due reward. Of our deeds. But this man.

[1:56] Hath done. Nothing to miss. And he said unto Jesus. Lord. Remember me. When thou promised. To the back. He was. And Jesus. Said unto him.

Verily. I say unto thee. Today. Shalt thou be with me. In paradise. And it was about. The sixth hour.

And there was a darkness. Over all. On the earth. The ninth hour. That would lead. And the sun was darkening. And the lady. The devil.

Was rent. In the midst. That would probably be. The song. So glad you. And he. That song. That was a pretty fast.

I said. I don't know. I don't know. I don't know. Why we preach. We don't preach. On the resurrection. The sun. Oh.

[2:52] I mean. The crucifixion. Or the resurrection. The sun. Right. Folk of one of the history. Was that little. Skull shaped. It. Just outside.

The law. In Jerusalem. About. 28. Or 29. A.D. About. 1990. A.D. A.D. A.D. A.D. A.D. We have that cross.

In fact. Similar. Back here. Behind. To remind us. All the time. Two things. He went to it. He paid our debt.

He's not still hanging. There he is. Right. He rose from the dead. Praise the Lord. Try to think about. How it must have been for him.

That song said. He could have called. Ten thousand names. Yes. That's right. To destroy the world. And set him free. Right. But he didn't do that. He died alone.

[3:56] And he was. Wow. Amen. Just for you to picture. The Romans had lots of beef fights.

They did a lot of beef fights. On that day. They had nine. They had three men. They put one in their hands.

On each side. And one through both feet. Three nails. For each. criminal. I've tried to imagine.

Having that thing. Really threw my head. Come on preacher. Yeah. And the soldiers enjoyed it. Mocking.

And having no conscience whatsoever. They drove that thing. It gets through his hands. That'd be a big spike.

[5:01] To hold him up. Hold his weight. You and I just rarely think about it.

Lord. We're going to get on our knees. Every day. For one thing only. That is. Thank you God. We ought to be in hell.

For that's wrong. That's how important it is. When Jesus said. It is finished. along about mid-afternoon on that day after agonizing for six hours hanging naked by those three spiked nails out in the noonday sun I said when he said it it was the end of the most important event of all history of the world it was Spanish too why are you trying to work your way to heaven why are you trusting some church when he said it why are you trusting baptism when he said it how do you how do you explain trusting baptism when that thief

Jesus said will be with me he didn't get to be back by he didn't get to do any good works how do you justify trusting yourself to get you to heaven he said it finished number one Satan was crushed and his husband was sure he kept trying to stop Jesus on that cross even after he was on the cross everybody that came up there said why don't you come down come down he did Satan fought until the last moment come on down you're the son of God get down don't stay there and die if you do undo come on and he was number two sin was paid for for every human being the billions and billions of them when you realize that God dumped all the sins of all men on his son and there turned out to be eight nine billion of us living at once without the people that are dying no wonder he agonized in the cross or in the garden looking for the cross great bloody sweat dropped out he became sin for us we might become righteousness we righteous us

Chris you know you look like a lot of stuff but you are because he credited you with his right and me it's an amazing thing number one Satan was crushed number two sin was paid for number three God was satisfied thank you thank you Lord you don't have to do anything you don't have to do anything to satisfy those poor people with bloody knees climb those stairs trying to be down somewhere and they pay for their sin all all over this earth people are flogging themselves they're not trying to pay for their sin to satisfy holy God he's already satisfied Jesus satisfied him with his own blood his justice was repeated he go he go back home and now to heaven and sent the holy spirit to offer pardon to every single person on this earth just for the table he didn't say we got a hundred thousand dollars no he said the gift of

God the whole story is unreal and shocking this part that's most unbelievable Jesus said most people were there do do do do do do do l mean if somebody walks out and pays for your sins completely and God accepted and you turn it down that's dumb and wrong I'm not very smart you don't say amen it's a long time but I know if somebody offers me something like that I'm going to take it I was a little bitty shaver but I didn't take it thank God man it's faith for my sin is faith for heaven is lost for me and it's free

I ain't that dumb boy I say give it amen thank God and yet most people turn it that's that's just unbelievable it's unbelievable let's consider it's three on the cross shall we first the man on the middle cross you know the worst criminal they had multiple crucifixions was the one in the middle they put the worst one in the middle the focal point was on him all the abuse was on him he was the one that was their target and that was our lovely lord in the middle all the mockery and all the cheering and all the reviling was not to this one over here or this one the only one of them three didn't deserve it was he the greatest criminal of that day he was perfect he was sinless never harmed a human being the just or the unjust but in one sense he was the greatest sinner because he was carrying all of our sins all of our sins were even not his but ours who his own self bear our sins in his own body every murder was on him every theft was on him every act of immorality he was charged with that he was going on with every criminal act every perverted act he was charged with gladly took gladly paid did not open his mouth

I don't want to preach this every thing no wonder God turned the lights out he said I've seen all this out you're standing in heaven and black God said I can't take you you know I can say a whole lot about you he's my savior he's the lovely Lord he's he's coming back we've got a wonderful future and I could go on about him I'm going to talk about the other too the man on the left cross I call him Satan's last one the devil was in that he is did you understand when they put these three crosses this one was in center and this one over here is angled toward so he can see and the one over on the other side is all angled in they can talk to each other they're looking at each other the one on the left said ah yes he is son of

God he was the last hope the devil put him on the cross before he died so he was last hope you can tell me that a man in that condition died and going to hell the Satan could fill him and control him when he heard the other one asked for mercy he still did not change if the devil power does serve him yes sir yes sir why do you think you're still wrong the God of this world is blinded in the mind that man was so blind he had no idea he was working for the devil he was saving last hope I've got to get him off that cross I've got to get him off that cross he was cursing and reviling

Jesus he was a thief in that sense he represents every man but especially all time he's your champion that's him he was also a friend right he talked to Jesus that's praying that means that Christ saved thyself and look the verb is in the imperfect tense imperfect gives you an idea it means that he's kept on saving never got anything that whole six hours this gentleman was saved yeah yeah you really are God if you want to why don't you prove it over it rang in his ears all day that's what that means he didn't say it one time he was screaming it all day as long as he had breath mocking and jeering trying to get him to come down save us save us all we're not dead yet you said you were

God didn't you prove it get us off this cross over it over it over it Jesus often his enemies trying to kill him you know that all through his ministry Harold I've said this a lot I don't know how I mean it might give me the start of all I don't know but I don't think the inner circle was the inner circle because it was more spiritual Peter wasn't very spiritual all we know about Peter is he wore not as well as she would cook his mouth measured so I don't think there's reason that they were in all they lived I think they had three Christmas Chris was the one in our church he was over in

> Iraq how many tours three tours they all yeah they all but in your biography you stated you were already so mean the army didn't have to make you mean the army didn't do is find a place where you turn your loose and they put you on the recon squad the first one and blew you up they didn't lose that's what they thought me tough as nails big strong tough guy now picture Peter and James I think they were in trouble to be part of the see the devil tried to kill him during his whole ministry remember how many times they'll say well they would've taken him but he walked through in the middle of the thing he said he was at his home town one time they wanted to take him to the precipice of the hill on which that city he walked through the best stuff

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I'll tell you why he did he had three crises that's what they were there for I'm gonna find out when they got right hey you don't hear much about change he said why about man but when Herod wanted to start killing him he said he killed who did he grab me he's knocking the body guard off you know what John we all know John is the apostle of love you know what they called him before Jesus got all that son of thunder mean as a snake don't mess with James John Jesus transformed him into the apostle love he was tough history says they boiled him in oil he stands up to the boiling arms and bring it on now they been trying to kill

Jesus all history now he said I am sorrowful unto death and when he said please take this cup from me he was saying I changed my mind and I can't die take this away from me I can't stand no no no he was saying Lord I am about to die all demons of hell have congregated right here they're killing me because my body guards are asleep I gotta have help take this cup from me tonight so I can die tomorrow like what he meant he's not trying to get out of it he's trying to make sure he makes it to the cross and

God sent an angel I wish I had been there and seen that scripture you know one angel killed 185 thousand remember that one angel I wish I could send all around Jesus and trying to choke the lap of here comes this one angel you better leave now because you don't go hell first if you don't that angel protected when you brought your heart and you the devil kept on trying to kill him over the door this thief and for six hours he said come on get down to the cross fool of the devil making one last shot trying to get him off the cross didn't work did unbelievable power

[22:29] I don't understand why we don't give him more credit he's got most of us right around some area of our lives and we never know we don't even know he gets Christians fighting each other splitting churches hating preachers he takes a man like Joe takes all of his kids and all of his wealth and all his health and friends come and they sit down and say well this is why they back you must have done something wrong not one time did he fly on he flies under your radar brother you have no idea exactly what you want to pray more for

God to help us with him look at him the last moments he's got this being completely controlled he's dying going to hell for six hours come on down that's what he was there for you see yourself today in any area where you blind in control an unknown monster he has to go to hell he's going to take him to you to camp I got a book that I got from Larry Harrison book man several years ago it's dying testimonies of saved and unsaved testimonies of people dying!

here's one that Reverend Balch from Cloverfield New York sent in here's what he said Mr.

White of New York had ignored his neighbor Mr. Neal's witness over and over told that White was dying Neal and a friend went to see him the two said that as they entered the room it seemed to be filled with an awful prison as if they were near the region of the dam the dying man cried out oh God deliver me from that awful pit it was not a penitential prayer but the wail of the lost soul about 15 minutes before his death he exclaimed I'm in the flames somebody pull me out pull me out he kept repeating this until the breath was hot as his bodily strength was failing his words became more faint and Neal put his ear down close to catch his departing whispers and the last words replied to hear the word pull me out pull me out somebody pull me out it was an awful scene he said he made impression on me that I can never forget

I never want to witness such a scene again but Reverend Balch said I was talking to Mr. Neal years after and he said then those words I mean the flames pull me out pull me out still waiting to give me yes the devil will take me to hell that is his aim I sat before a young man myself could not get him to listen to my witness he was unconcerned until I got up and said sir I guess you just won't go hell I was having to let you go and he said what did you say I thought he would get mad at him I said I suppose you going to heaven he said you believe in hell

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I said well I certainly do the Bible teaches the Jesus I certainly do it's real he said can I tell you a story boy he changed it changed and I said he said sure and he said my uncle died last week and I was there when he died and he said he's in a bed and all of a sudden he started screaming with his feet on fire and he said somebody please help him my feet are burning and said he started screaming louder and said the fire is creeping up my legs help me help me it's at my knees now it's oh it's in my thighs it's in my waist somebody help me the fire is coming up oh oh it's almost stung in my chest oh the fire is around my neck it's covering my head somebody help me get me out of the fire and that's when he died this young man what did you do for 30 now and then he said you think you went today yeah

I said what did you do yeah he said I think you might are the bathroom right I said let me tell you something I took my home short of here and you had turned everything down and vet God, I won't let you leave.

God brought this subject to hell to keep you here. And God's trying to keep you out of hell in your hands. If you've got any sense, you will sit down and this is what I'm saying.

It was the easiest thing for you to do. It was a bloody in my hand. There is a and that man on that cross is inches away and still working for that.

Right? How many people fall into the pit still working for that? Don't you ever take him like the Lord? He has taken God's creation and ruined it.

[29:17] He's taken the people made in God's image and taken most of them to take the hell. Don't you ever take him like the man on the left cross.

The man on the right cross, the last one? He's over here looking at Jesus. He's reviving too when the person came to offer the other.

Both of these thieves are reviving. So it was the thing to do that day if he joined it. But he's hanging there in agony and watching the face of that one field draw.

He's never really seen anything like that. He's never seen such a serene peaceful favor for a man in that position. And he's thinking, he's really thinking.

I know what they say about him. I've heard of him. They have some good things to say about him. They say he's never done anything at all. I wonder why he's up there.

[30 : 20] And while he's contemplating, while he's watching, Jesus' hands are already out there. He looks up to heaven and says, and he's hearing Father for you.

They know not what they say. That man's heart melted. He's melted. The Holy Spirit got a whole lot.

And he changed. Oh, he changed. Wow. Did he change? Yeah. He became Jesus' greatest champion after being one of his rebukers.

And standing here, that is, I mean, he here, looking at Jesus over there. He said, leave him home. He's done nothing wrong.

Yeah. Don't you fear God seeing that we're in the same shape as he's in the Son of God that we deserve. We deserve it.

[31:33] He's done nothing wrong. You better shut up. Then he turns to Jesus and he says, Lord, remember me when you come into your camp.

He didn't say, forgive me. He just said, someday, when you're in heaven, when you're thinking, what do you think about a poor, miserable creep that's wasted his life and to get what he deserved or just, if I just come across your mind one day, I appreciate it.

Wow. That's all it took. Some of these people are trying to help hard to get saved. Yeah, sir. It's not hard to get saved.

You just get that heart in the right condition there. And it leaps out and it takes it. I don't understand these folks who can't get saved.

They travel over over my sweet wife and I'm preaching to her. When I married her, she pulled out and she's saved this little eight-year-old girl that didn't deal with the rights and the memories that were just ain't her punch.

[32:50] She finally got a victory. But so many, many others can. But I want you to watch that, too. What a simple little prayer to remember me.

Jesus looked into that heart and saw this guy searching and seeing the God. He said, I'll take care of you. I'll take care of you.

Do you think that Jesus could do that for a miserable or for you? Do you think he would have a part of time saving church for her?

What is wrong with you? Do you know that the devil is the only way he can keep you from serving God like you won't do this thing to make you in doubt?

Come on. Amen. You tell me how a God that can save a thief that quickly wouldn't save you. You're seeking you.

[33:54] He'll save anybody. It's not hard to get saved. Hard to get to the point to get saved. Right. Well, we lost one but we saved one.

He's confessing his sins. He's showing his faith. I know you're the king. He's showing courage. Whole lives against Jesus but he's not.

Did you know that cowards are the first one named in the verse in verse 8 21 of Revelation by those that are in hell? The fearful that were his coward.

Those that sit in the church like this and they think about where they're going what are they going to save if I walk there? The cowards are the first ones named in the verse.

This man was a coward. He's hanging there naked just like people do. I'm for this man in the middle of the road. Leave him alone.

[34:58] Lord, remember me. Takes a little courage sometimes to step out. He's also shown to be very true. Just remember. Just think about it sometime.

Jesus' wonderful answer it says so many things not about many. It says salvation is all by grace and faith and there's no works involved. He didn't do anything. And you got saved here because you forgot about it.

He earned it and deserve it. You don't deserve it. Neither did I. Nobody does. If you got saved who let him do a work, you accepted freely.

That's all you have to do. Wow. That's what he's teaching us. Salvation is all his. We can't do anything to hurt it.

do to do that. I got two Mormons. These Mormon elders you know who are 18 years. baptisms and I pulled out everything I ate.

[36:24] I said you think baptism is faith? Yeah. Well the Bible says Jesus never baptized anybody. Jesus never saved anybody. You still have to be baptized.

What? Did you know the Bible says Paul never baptized anybody. Great Christians in the future. And you say you have to be baptized. Paul never baptized anybody. It doesn't matter what you say.

They don't listen to it. It's foggy. They're blind. Sat there for an hour trying to show to God. And of course she used the theme on the cross.

How about do that kind of that? why don't you just take the word of God like it is.

He saved a man without baptism. Saved a man without church ministry. Saved a man without anything. It also teaches there is life after death.

[37:35] Yes there is. You sit in a church and get mad! You can be living with Him for a prayer.

What else does say? It says that the Savior can know where he's going. Paradise, man. Hey, I know where I'm going. I'm getting closer all the time.

And hush. You deserve it. You know where I go later. Uh cleaning my gutter.

And you came up and said, Hey! Get out of that! Don't wake you. I'm sorry. And I climbed down and I said, why?

He said, Dude! You called me dude. You said, Dude, don't you know you're old?

[38:43] I want to wrap the ladder around your head. We that are seniors don't want to be called for vou.

But I took it because he cleaned my gutter for me. Put up with it. But I said, I'll get you back.

He said, you know where he's going to carry you. I don't care if you're old. You still don't wear you. And you feel like you're just moving for you every day. Jesus said, with me.

Oh, I'm looking for you. My mother, dad, all of them. He said, you're with me. Your Bible focuses! on! instead the Bible focus on being with him.

Paul said, I have desire to part in with Christ. The dead are going to rise and we which will have to come together with them before their church and everything with him.

[40:01] Always focus on him. You want to be with Christ? Yes for the bodies to be present with the Lord. Well, I have another one of those pages out of that book.

You ought to see my book. It's all loose lead now. There was a man one time who lived almost 1800 and only lived 38 years.

That second time, he wrote a song called Cloth for me, let me hide myself in the years. You know that song, don't you? He's dying now, 38 years old.

He's having a spell, he's having time to fly. There's no affliction, no pain, no curse, death itself is no dissolution. Yet how this soul of mine longs to be called, 38 years old.

Like a bird imprisoned in his caves, this soul of mine longs to take his life. Had I wings like a dove, like a flower, it was the wisdom of God and be dressed forever.

[41:10] That's why he died. Remember the other dove? Within an hour he seemed to awake for the gentle slumber when he exclaimed, O what delight to be fathomed the joys of the third heaven.

What a bright sunshine to be spread around me. I have not words to express it. I know it not be so long now my savior will come for me. For surely no mortal can be killed after the glories of God have been manifested to his soul.

All is light, light, light, the brightness and glory. Oh come Lord Jesus, please come quickly. Close his eyes and go to sleep to awake the other.

That's the way one died. You've heard the other story about how he died. I'll get your choice today.

You can join the man on the cross. Live with Satan forever. And I pray with