

School of the Supernatural Session 2
Jesus Christ and the Cross
Lesson Five

Key Concepts

1. Jesus's physical torture and death on the cross.
2. Jesus' spiritual death.
3. Jesus' resurrection from the dead

- I. Jesus's physical torture and death on the cross.
 - A. He was whipped.
 1. Mark 15:15
 2. Whip was an instrument commonly used to inflict punishment. The criminal was undressed, tied to a pillar and flogged. Lashes were directed to ward the back, torso, and legs.
 - B. His beard was plucked out.
 1. Isaiah 50:6
 2. Plucking out the beard or hair was a major insult in Middle Eastern culture because the beard was a sign of virility and masculine dignity. (Leviticus 19:7)
 - C. His face was spat upon.
 1. Isaiah 50:6
 2. Matthew 26:27
 3. For Jews, spitting in the presence of others was an insult.
 - D. He was forced to wear a crown of thorns.
 1. John 19:2
 2. Interwoven with three layers of thorns and is believed to be shaped like a helmet covering that would cover the back of the neck up and over the head to the forehead.

- E. Agony of Jesus' death.
 - 1. Psalm 22:14-15
 - 2. 1 Peter 2:24
- F. Jesus suffered all the above in our place. He allowed himself to be treated as if he were the worse of the criminals in order to redeem us. Jesus died so that we could be free from sin and condemnation.

II. Jesus' Spiritual Death

- A. Jesus' physical and spiritual deaths were both set into motion in the garden of Gethsemane.
- B. God the Father provided the Lamb of sacrifice that would redeem mankind from all its sins.
 - 1. Peter 1:18-19
 - 2. The task was so overwhelming that Jesus asked the Father something specific.
 - (a). Matthew 26:39
 - 3. Jesus bore all the sins of humanity on the cross of Calvary.
 - 4. Jesus' physical and spiritual deaths loosened the supernatural power we needed to be forgiven, healed and delivered!
- C. The moment Jesus died, the veil of the temple of Jerusalem which separated the Holy Place from the Holy of Holies ripped from top to bottom.
 - 1. Matthew 27:50-51
 - 2. This act by God signified that the path to His presence was now open to all who come to Him through Jesus Christ.

III. The Revelation of the Cross.

- A. The cross was the sacrifice offered by Jesus for the human race and implies two fundamental roles for the son of God:
 - 1. Jesus was the High Priest who offered the sacrifice.
 - (a). Hebrews 7:26-27

2. Jesus was the sacrifice.
 - (a). Hebrews 9:13-15
- B. Jesus released supernatural grace at the cross and completed the divine exchange.
 1. Jesus was wounded so we could be forgiven.
 - (a). Isaiah 53:3
 2. Jesus carried our sicknesses and suffered our sorrows so that we could receive healing.
 - (a). Isaiah 53:4-5
 3. Jesus became sin and carried our sinful nature so that we could be justified.
 - (a). 2 Corinthians 5:21
 4. Jesus died in our place so that we could share in His eternal life.
 - (a). Romans 5:8-9
 5. Jesus carried our curse so that we could be blessed.
 - (a). Galatians 3:13
 6. Jesus paid for our poverty so that we could be prosperous.
 - (a). 2 Corinthians 8:9
 7. Jesus suffered our shame so that we could partake of His glory.
 - (a). Hebrews 2:10
 8. Jesus suffered our rejection so that we could be accepted in Him.
 - (a). Ephesians 1:6
- C. Benefits of the Cross.
 1. The cross delivered us from the “Old Man” and the “Flesh.”
 - (a). Romans 6:6
 - (1). The old man can be summed up in one word, “rebellion.”
 - (b). Psalm 51:5
 - (1). The only way to defeat the rebellious old man is

by spiritual execution.

2. The Cross delivered us from “Self.”
 - (a). The ego is the part of the soul where the “self” dwells. It is where the “I want and I think” can be found. Many people choose not to surrender to Jesus because they want to preserve their current life style.
3. The Cross delivered us from the “world.”
 - (a). Galatians 6:14
4. The Cross delivered us from Satan’s power and authority.
 - (a). Colossians 2:15
 - (b). At the cross, Jesus defeated the devil. The victory is irrevocable and eternal. Satan cannot do anything to change it. If we try to deal with the enemy on any basis other than the cross, we can be defeated.

Our Message is Christ Crucified.

Question to ask: Why are the sick not healed? Why do the blind not receive their sight? Why are the lame not walking? Why are we not seeing cancer dry up and disappear? One answer: We are not preaching the message of the Cross.

1 Corinthians 1:23-25

Without the power of the cross, we can teach good morals, practice good Christian ethics, have good intentions and even preach interesting sermons, but we can not produce a changed or transformed heart. If we preach the message of the cross – “Christ crucified and resurrected, we will see God’s supernatural power confirmed with miracles, signs and wonders. Jesus died, was raised from the dead, and defeated the enemy with power and authority in order to give us the same power and authority which He loosened at the cross.