"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path" (Psalm 119:105).

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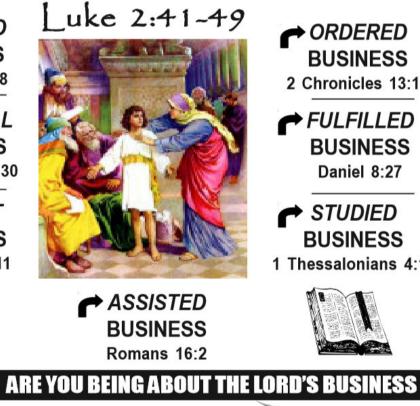
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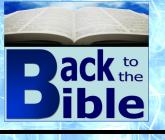


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Oh, what matchless love Jesus showed for weak, unworthy folks like you and me. Our Lord went to the cross and did for us what we never could have done for ourselves. "Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed" (1 Peter 2:24).

Consider the following descriptive summation of the things that Jesus endured:

"Jesus was wounded, bruised, and beaten (Isaiah 53:5) with thorns on His brow (Matt. 27:29; fists upon His face (Luke 22:63,64); stripes on His back (Mark 15:15); nails in His hands and feet (John 20:25); and a spear that pierced His side in death . . . His cheek was tainted with the kiss of betrayal. His hands were bound with chords of contempt. His heart was rent with words of denial. His face dripped with human spittle. A circle of pain penetrated His brow. Mocking knees bowed at His feet. Wicked hands buffeted His countenance. His back was a mass of raw flesh suffused with blood. A murderer was preferred by the angry mob before Him. Nails pinned His body to a cross of wood. Immeasurable agony tormented His mental, physical, and emotional being."

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"His lips emitted words of love for His mother, forgiveness for a thief, and mercy for His enemies. As the full weight of sin bore down upon Him, He uttered the loneliest, most-heart-rending, incomprehensible words in the history of humanity: 'My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?' (Matthew 27:46). Having paid the price that sin demanded, grace allowed, and love made possible, He commended His spirit into the hands of His Father" [Frank Chesser, Portrait of God, pp. 239,249].

May we never rush through those portions of the Bible that record the suffering and death of the Christ. May God help us to meditate on the meaning of the cross and appreciate all that Jesus did for us. It is humbling to think about, is it not?

THE CROSS

Jim Lewis

There are many things which are inseparably tied to the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is by virtue of His death and resurrection that these things are established. Some of these are:

The Bible - The shed blood of Christ is the "blood of the new testament" (Matthew 26:28). "Where a testament is, there must also of necessity be the death of the testator" (Hebrews 9:16).

The Church - The church is a blood-bought institution. It is that "which he hath purchased with his own blood" (Acts 20:28). "He gave himself for it [the church, jl]" (Ephesians 5:25).

Salvation - We are saved by the gospel which Paul preached: ". . how that Christ died for our sins, according to the scriptures; and *that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures*" (1 Corinthians 15:3,4). In Christ, "*We have redemption through his blood*" (Ephesians 1:7).

Our Resurrection - Christ is "risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept" (1 Corinthians 15;20). "... all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, and shall come forth ..." (John 5:28,29).

The Lord's Supper - "For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come" (1 Corinthians 11:26).

Judgment - "He hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead" (Acts 17:31). [Green's Lake Road bulletin; 02/15/09]



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"The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple. The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes. The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb" (Psalm 19:7-10).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- May 1 Men's Business Meeting & Ladies' Bible Class after Evening Worship
- May 15 Preach-N-Eat & 1:30 pm Worship Service
- May 15-19 Gospel Meeting with Steve Canup
- May 29 Prayer Service after Evening Worship
- > Please give support money for Chinese orphans to Minnie Kennell