MARK

CHAPTER 15:21-41

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TITLE:

"The Revelation of the Cross"

THEME:

Mark 15:31

("He saved others; Himself He cannot Save")

I.) The Revelation of His Love

vv. 21-24

Verse 21

Mark 15:20b "and they led Him out to crucify Him"

Meaning they traveled the *via dolorosa* (*The Road of Sorrows*) leading outside the city.

- Not much is mentioned because so much is known about the protocol of Roman crucifixion.
- Jesus would be carrying the *patibullum*, or the portable "T" portion of the cross, weighing about 100 lb.

Verse 22

Golgotha in Aramaic the place of the skull

Calvary in Latin the place of the skull

Moriah in Hebrew a three day journey (Genesis 22:2)

The Criminals as well as the scapegoat was led outside the city gates

Hebrews 13:11-12

For the bodies of those animals, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned (judged) outside the camp. ¹² Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate.

Verse 23-24

THE CROSS OF JESUS CHRIST IS THE INDICATOR OF GOD'S LOVE TO A LOVELESS WORLD

THE CRUCIFIXION:

- #1 THE POSITION OF THE ARMS STRETCHED BACK AND UPWARD.
- #2 THE INSERTION OF THE NAILS INTO KEY NERVE LOCATIONS.
- #3 The exposure of wounds to air, inflammation and fever
- #4 Free circulation of blood was prevented. More blood was carried out by the arteries than what could be returned by the veins.

RESULTING IN

SEVERE HEAD, CHEST & BACKACHE AND HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE.

I confess that I have difficulty in relating to His Pain, After all, He's God (and that's where I fail -He appears too big, too strong too unlike me,)

These are Holy Things

Hebrews 12:2b

... who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

John 13:1

Now before the feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour had come that He should depart from this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.

II.) The Revelation of His Authority vv. 25-26

Verse 25

The third hour, the Jewish day began at 6:00 am. The third hour would be 9:00 am. Roman time

Verse 26

Behind Him followed a guard with the description of the crime on whitewashed wood, with black letters:

Name and origin...... JESUS OF NAZARETH

Crime committed..... THE KING OF THE JEWS

John 19:20-22

Then many of the Jews read this title, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, Greek, and Latin. ²¹ Therefore the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews,' but, 'He said, "I am the King of the Jews."

²² Pilate answered,

"What I have written, I have written."

(GRK. PERFECT TENSE "What I have written WILL ALWAYS remain written")

Hebrews 13:8

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

Revelation 19:16 KJV

And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.

His crime was "overhead"

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All our lives our crime has been "overhead"

Colossians 2:13-14

And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, <u>having forgiven you all trespasses</u>, ¹⁴ having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.

III.) The Revelation of His Atonement vv. 27-32

TO PAY THE DEBT FOR ANOTHER

Romans 5:11

...we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received **the atonement.**

Atonement

GRK katallage (kat-al-lag-ay')

exchange the divine favor: reconciliation

Verse 27-28

2 Corinthians 5:21

For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him. (atonement's work)

Galatians 3:13

Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree")

If there were to be any cursing or swearing in heaven,

It would be with my name

Verse 29-31

No one mocks a man at his death walk. Silent vigils or outright protest against capital punishment, but not this!

The Harp Seal-Type Slaughter

Angles held at bay, eyes aflame, swords dripping heat

Lesser men possessing the power of Christ would have destroyed them

1 Peter 3:18

For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit,

Verse 32

LUKE RECORDS THE CONVERSION AS THE WATER OF LIFE FLOWED FREELY FROM HIS VEINS

IV.) The Revelation of His Death

vv. 33-37

Verse 33

The sixth hour - at high noon, at the sun's zenith, darkness began to cover the land.

THE SPIRITUAL WORLD RULES

OVER THE PHYSICAL WORLD.

WHAT A CONTRAST;

From the mount of transfiguration,

where atop that mountain into cool night air - Jesus explodes into brilliant light!!!

Now atop the cross,

Jesus is covered with darkness...

Amos 8:9-10

"And it shall come to pass in that day," says the Lord GOD, "That I will make the sun go down at noon, and I will darken the earth in broad daylight; I will turn your feasts into mourning, and all your songs into lamentation; I will bring sackcloth on every waist, and baldness on every head; I will make it like mourning for an only son, and its end like a bitter day.

Historical records show

That the darkness extended into Egypt where historians wrote;

Dionhysis - (Di on this is)

"On this day either God has suffered or the universe is now dissolving"

Cyprian - (Shy pre an)

"the darkness fell hard so that the stars began to shine from above while the evil did was on"

Phlego - (Ph lego)

"in this year 33, at the sixth hour of the day an eclipse appeared like no other, followed by a great earthquake.

The Worm of God
(Ps 22:6)
Towla (to-law');

Isaiah 53:6

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned, every one, to his own way; **and the LORD** has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

Verse 34

This is the reason why, in the garden of Gethsemani, Jesus cried out "remove this cup from me"

"why hast thou or have you"

Mark ALONE uses the AROIST tense of the Greek verb that put the statement in the past tense... "why <u>did</u> you forsake me" it's a victory question.

Habakkuk 1:13

You are of purer eyes than to behold evil, and cannot look on wickedness.

THE ONTOLOGICAL UNITY OF THE TRINITY WAS NOT BROKEN.

NEVERTHELESS,

THE SEPARATION OF FELLOWSHIP WAS A FACT AND ONLY POSSIBLE BECAUSE OF THE INCARNATION OF GOD.

1 John 1:5

This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

SIN - NOT IN JESUS, BUT UPON!

I told you before of the Roman judgment that called for a murderer to lay face down naked as they would lay on top of you the whom you killed, sowing his arm to your arm, his side to your side, his legs to your legs...

Galatians 6:14

But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

In those hours of darkness,

THE SIN OF THE WORLD WAS BEING CRUCIFIED TO CHRIST

Verse 35-36

fulfilling Psalm 69:20-21

Note that silence usually increases as death nears.

No so with Jesus, He appears to be more vocal and stronger...

John 10:18

"No one takes it from Me, but I lay it down of Myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This command I have received from My Father."

Verse 37

John 19:30

Telelestai = It is Finished,
"it is finished and forever will be finished"

Make this observation;

- 1.) Jesus was very much in control of his senses to the point of when death would accrue.
- 2.) "it is finished" was in the Greek perfect tense meaning "it is finished and forever, will be finished"

V.) The Revelation of His Freedom vv. 38-41

Verse 38

The Veil of the Temple;

NOTE

The severity of the torn veil exposing the mercy seat to all who pass by!!!

Annually, 1 day a year would the priest alone be allowed in. The priest had mixed emotions about entering in...

- 1.) God's awesome presence was in the glory cloud
- 2.) But if you were not right with the Lord, you died

Hebrews 10:19-22

Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, :20 by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, :21 and having a High Priest over the house of God, :22 let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts <u>sprinkled</u> from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with <u>pure</u> <u>water</u>.

That's temple talk!!

The Call into the priesthood (all Christians are in the priesthood)

Leviticus 8:24

And he brought Aaron's sons, and Moses put of the blood upon the tip of their right ear, and upon the thumbs of their right hands, and upon the great toes of their right feet: and Moses **sprinkled** the blood upon the alter

Exodus 24:8 KJV

And Moses took the blood, and *sprinkled* it on the people, and said, Behold the blood of the covenant...

Exodus 30:20 KJV

"When they go into the tabernacle of meeting, or when they come near the altar to minister, to burn an offering made by fire to the LORD, they shall wash with water, lest they die.

Ephesians 5:26

that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word,

Revelation 22:17

And the Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let him who hears say, "Come!" And let him who thirsts come. Whoever desires, let him take the water of life freely.

Colossians 1:27 KJV

To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:

Verse 39

The "Supervisor of Rome" he was to be with his assigned crucifixion thru all phases. He saw it all which was all that he needed to see;

"Truly, this man was the Son of God"

"This man was God"

Revelation 1:17-18

John's heaven vision... "I fell at His feet as dead. But He laid His right hand on me, saying to me, "Do not be afraid; I am the First and the Last. 18 "I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore.

HIS CROSS, IS OUR POWER

1 Corinthians 1:18

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

John 12:32

"And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all peoples to Myself."

1 Peter 1:3

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus

END WITH THIS

John 3:16-19

LOOK UP ONTOLOGICAL