

## Lessons for Good Friday March 29, 2024

### THE FIRST WORD

It was prophesied in Psalm 22

- <sup>7</sup>All who see me laugh | me to scorn;  
they curl their lips; they | shake their heads.  
<sup>8</sup>"Trust in the LORD; let the | LORD deliver;  
let God rescue him if God so de- | lights in him."  
<sup>17</sup>I can count | all my bones  
while they stare at | me and gloat.  
<sup>18</sup>They divide my gar- | ments among them;  
for my clothing, | they cast lots.

It is recorded in Luke 23

<sup>32</sup>Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. <sup>33</sup>When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>34</sup>Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. <sup>35</sup>And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" <sup>36</sup>The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, <sup>37</sup>and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" <sup>38</sup>There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

## THE SECOND WORD

It was prophesied in Isaiah 53

<sup>8</sup>By a perversion of justice he was taken away.

Who could have imagined his [future](#)?

For he was cut off from the land of the living,  
stricken for the transgression of my people.

<sup>9</sup>They made his grave with the wicked

and his tomb with the rich,

although he had done no violence,

and there was no deceit in his mouth.

<sup>10</sup>Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain.

When you make his [life](#) an offering for sin,

he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days;

through him the will of the LORD shall prosper.

<sup>11</sup>Out of his anguish he shall see light;

he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge.

The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous,

and he shall bear their iniquities.

It is recorded in Luke 23

<sup>39</sup>One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!"

<sup>40</sup>But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? <sup>41</sup>And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong."

<sup>42</sup>Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." <sup>43</sup>He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

## THE THIRD WORD

It was prophesied in Exodus 20

<sup>12</sup>Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

It is recorded in John 19

<sup>25</sup>And that is what the soldiers did. Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. <sup>26</sup>When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son." <sup>27</sup>Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

## THE FOURTH WORD

It was prophesied in Psalm 22

- <sup>1</sup>My God, my God, why have you for- | saken me?  
Why so far from saving me, so far from the words | of my  
groaning?
- <sup>2</sup>My God, I cry out by day, but you | do not answer;  
by night, but I | [find](#) no rest.
- <sup>3</sup>Yet you are the | Holy One,  
enthroned on the prais- | es of Israel.
- <sup>4</sup>Our ancestors put their | trust in you,  
they trusted, and you | rescued them.
- <sup>5</sup>They cried out to you and | were delivered;  
they trusted in you and were not | put to shame.

It is recorded in Matthew 27

<sup>45</sup>From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. <sup>46</sup>And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" <sup>47</sup>When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "This man is calling for Elijah." <sup>48</sup>At once one of them ran and got a sponge, [filled](#) it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. <sup>49</sup>But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him."

## THE FIFTH WORD

It was prophesied in Psalm 69

<sup>20</sup>Reproach has broken my heart, and I am sick | beyond healing;  
I looked for sympathy, but there was none, for comforters,  
but I | could find no one.

<sup>21</sup>They gave me | gall to eat,  
and when I was thirsty, they gave me vine- | gar to drink.

It is recorded in John 19

<sup>28</sup>After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said  
(in order to fulfill the scripture), "I am thirsty." <sup>29</sup>A jar full of sour  
wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on  
a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth.

## THE SIXTH WORD

It was prophesied in Isaiah 53

<sup>3</sup>He was despised and rejected by others;  
a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity;  
and as one from whom others hide their faces  
he was despised, and we held him of no account.

<sup>4</sup>Surely he has borne our infirmities  
and carried our diseases;  
yet we accounted him stricken,  
struck down by God, and afflicted.

It is recorded in John 19

<sup>30</sup>When Jesus had received the wine, he said, "It is finished."  
Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

## THE SEVENTH WORD

It was prophesied in Isaiah 53

<sup>5</sup>But he was wounded for our transgressions,  
crushed for our iniquities;  
upon him was the punishment that made us whole,  
and by his bruises we are healed.

<sup>6</sup>All we like sheep have gone astray;  
we have all turned to our own way,  
and the LORD has laid on him  
the iniquity of us all.

It is recorded in Luke 23

<sup>44</sup>It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, <sup>45</sup>while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. <sup>46</sup>Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." Having said this, he breathed his last. <sup>47</sup>When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, "Certainly this man was innocent." <sup>48</sup>And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts.