

Seven Sayings Of Jesus On The Cross

Jesus shared in our humanity.

He set an example for us, suffered for us and was victorious over sin and death in his work on the cross. **His victory, both in his death and his resurrection, enables us to be reconciled to God and restored to fellowship with him.**

While hanging on the cross, Jesus spoke of:

1. Forgiveness

Luke 23:32-34 [NIV] *“Two other men, both criminals, were also led out with him to be executed. When they came to the place called the Skull, there they crucified him, along with the criminals, one on his right, the other on his left. Jesus said, **“Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.”** And they divided up his clothes by casting lots.”*

2. Hope

Luke 23:39-43 [NIV] *“One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: “Aren’t you the Christ? Save yourself and us!” But the other criminal rebuked him. “Don’t you fear God,” he said, “since you are under the same sentence? We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong.” Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” Jesus answered him, **“I tell you the truth today, you will be with me in paradise.”**”*

3. Care

John 19:25-27 [NIV] *“Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, **“Dear woman, here is your son,”** and to the disciple, **“Here is your mother.”** From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.”*

4. Loneliness

Mark 15:33-34 [NIV] *“At the sixth hour darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice, “Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?” – which means, **“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”**”*

Matthew 27:45-46 [NIV] *“From the sixth hour until the ninth hour darkness came over all the land. About the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice, “Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?” – which means, **“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”**”*

5. Suffering

John 19:28-29 [NIV] *“Later, knowing that all was now completed, and so that the Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, **“I am thirsty.”** A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus’ lips.”*

6. Triumph

John 19:30 [NIV] *“When he had received the drink, Jesus said, **“It is finished.”** With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.”*

7. Reunion

Luke 23:44-46 [NIV] *“It was now about the sixth hour, and darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour, for the sun stopped shining. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Jesus called out with a loud voice, **“Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.”** When he had said this, he breathed his last.”*