

TRIAL AND CRUCIFIXION

Quote:

He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.

Isaiah 53:7

Summary of the Trial and Crucifixion

Event	Matt	Mk	Lk	Jn	Comments
1 First Jewish Trial - before Annas				18:12-13, 19-24	Annas questioned Jesus to find grounds to condemn him. He found nothing, so he smote him on the face
Peter's first denial of Christ	26:69-70	14:54, 66-68	22:54-57	18:15-18	Appears to have occurred while Annas questioned Jesus
2 Second Jewish Trial - Before Caiaphas	26:59-68	14:53-65	22:54, 63-65	18:24 (NASB, RSV, Roth)	Illegally convened at night - characterised by false testimony, illegal questioning and brutality.
Peter's further two denials of Christ	26:69-75	14:69-72	22:58-62	18:25-27	Appears to take place during the second Jewish trial. The cock crowing was at 3am.
3 Third Jewish Trial - Formally Condemned by the Sanhedrin	27:1	15:1	22:66-71		Hastily convened at sunrise. They ignored both their own laws and Yahweh's
4 First Gentile Trial - Acquitted by Pilate	27:1-2, 11-14	15:2-5	23:1-6	18:28-38	In the Tower of Antonia
Suicide of Judas	27:3-10				Occurs during first Gentile trial
5 Second Gentile Trial - Acquitted by Herod			23:7-12		Questioned Jesus, mocked and assaulted him.
6 Third Gentile Trial - Before Pilate	27:15-30	15:6-19	23:13-25	18:39-19:16	Though finding no fault in Jesus, Pilate is at length forced to order his crucifixion.
7 The Crucifixion	27:31-61	15:20-46	23:26-54	19:16-42	

Summary of the Crucifixion

	Event	Matt	Mk	Lk	Jn
a	Preparation for crucifixion	27:31	15:20		
b	Jesus forced to bear his stake				19:16-17a
c	Simon compelled to bear the stake	27:32	15:21	23:26	
d	The Weeping Women			23:27-32	
e	At Golgotha - Jesus offered wine mixed with myrrh but he refused it.	27:33-34	15:22-23		19:17b
f	Crucified with two others	27:35a,38	15:25,27-28	23:33	19:18
g	The inscription: "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews".	27:37	15:26	23:38	19:19-22
h	Prayer: (1st saying) - "Father Forgive them for they know not what they do".			23:34a	
i	The Soldiers cast lots for his coat	27:35b-36	15:24	23:34b	19:23-24
j	Mocked by the people	27:39-40	15:29-30	23:35a	
k	Mocked by the priests and elders	27:41-43	15:31-32a	23:35b	
l	Mocked by the soldiers			23:36-37	
m	The thieves mock Jesus	27:44	15:32b		
n	The repentant thief (2nd saying) "Verily I say unto thee today, thou shalt be with me in paradise".			23:39-43	
o	Jesus provides for his mother (3rd saying) "woman behold thy son" and "behold thy mother"				19:25-27
p	Darkness enshrouds the land (3 hours)	27:45	15:33	23:44-45	
q	Prayer on the cross (4th saying) "Eli Eli lama sabacthani" (about the 9th hour)	27:46-47	15:34-35		
r	Jesus thirsts (5th saying) "I Thirst"	27:48-49	15:36		19:28-29
s	He cries "with a loud voice" - "It is finished" (6th saying)	27:50a	15:37a	23:46a	19:30a
t	A final prayer (7th saying) "Into thy hands I commit my spirit"			23:46b	19:30b
u	Gave up the spirit	27:50b	15:37b	23:46c	19:30c
v	Creation shudders and people tremble	27:51-56	15:38-41	23:47-49	
w	Proof of Jesus Death				19:31-37
x	Burial	27:57-61	15:42-47	23:50-56	19:38-42

The Seven Sayings on the Cross - See John 10:17-18

	Key Message		When	Significance
“Father forgive them for they know not what they do” (Lk 23:34)	Mercy	As a Priest	Before Darkness	Confirms his belief that God is his Father. Fulfilled prophecy: Isa 53:12 . See Matt 5:44-45 ; 1 Pet 2:21-23
“Verily I say unto thee today, thou shalt be with me in paradise” (Lk 23:43)	Certainty of Hope	As a King		The thief identified and agreed with the death of Christ and all that it stood for, confessing his sins. Christ therefore regarded him as having believed and been baptised into his death. See Mk 16:15-16 ; Rom 6:1-9
“Woman, behold thy son”... “Behold thy mother” (Jn 19:26-27)	Love	As the Son of Man		Irrespective of blood relationships, all are related to Christ by identification with him (Jn 20:17). See Matt 12:47-50 ; 1 Jn 3:9-11,16-18
“My God, My God, why hast thou forsaken me?” (Matt 27:46; Mk 15:34)	Dedication	As a Sacrifice	During Darkness	Quotes Psa 22:1 - This rhetorical question is answered in the Psalm: “I am a worm” - (insect that produces crimson die) - symbol of sacrifice. “and no man [Heb = ‘ish’]” - That is he humbled himself and became obedient unto the death of the cross (Phil 2:8). He would provide the sacrifice to put away sin - Heb 9:28 . He would arise to declare Yahweh’s name to his brethren - Psa 22:22 Ultimately all will praise Yahweh (v27) and a seed shall serve Him and declare his righteousness (v30-31).
“I thirst” (Jn 19:28)	Suffering	As representative of humanity	After the Darkness	Expressing his great desire to be in the presence of his Father Psa 42:1-3 ; 63:1-4 ; Psa 16:11 ; Heb 12:2 . See Isa 55:1-3 ; Matt 5:6
“It is Finished” (Jn 19:30)	Victory	For the Redeemed		i.e. - It is accomplished - equivalent to the last words of Psa 22:31 . See this idea in Luke 9:31 ; Matt 5:17 See also Rom 10:4 ; 8:3-4 ; 3:31
“Father, into thy hand I commend my spirit” (Lk 23:46)	Faith	As the Obedient Son of God		“Spirit” speaks of character (Matt 5:3). A word of Faith showing implicit faith and trust in his Father: Psa 31:5 . See also Phil 2:5-10