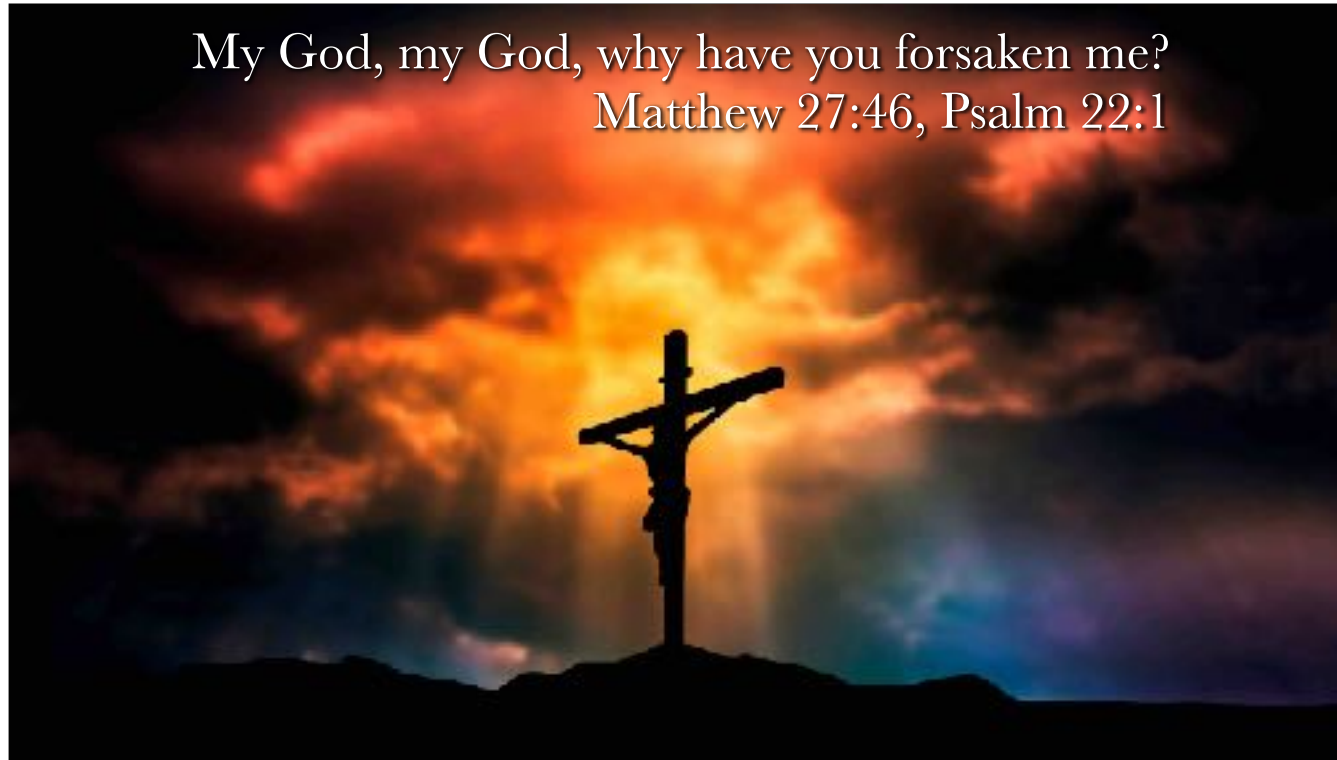


A dramatic sunset or sunrise scene with a cross silhouette on a hill. The sky is filled with dark, swirling clouds, with a bright, glowing light source behind the cross, creating a silhouette effect. The colors range from deep reds and oranges to dark blues and purples.

It Is Finished

John 19:30

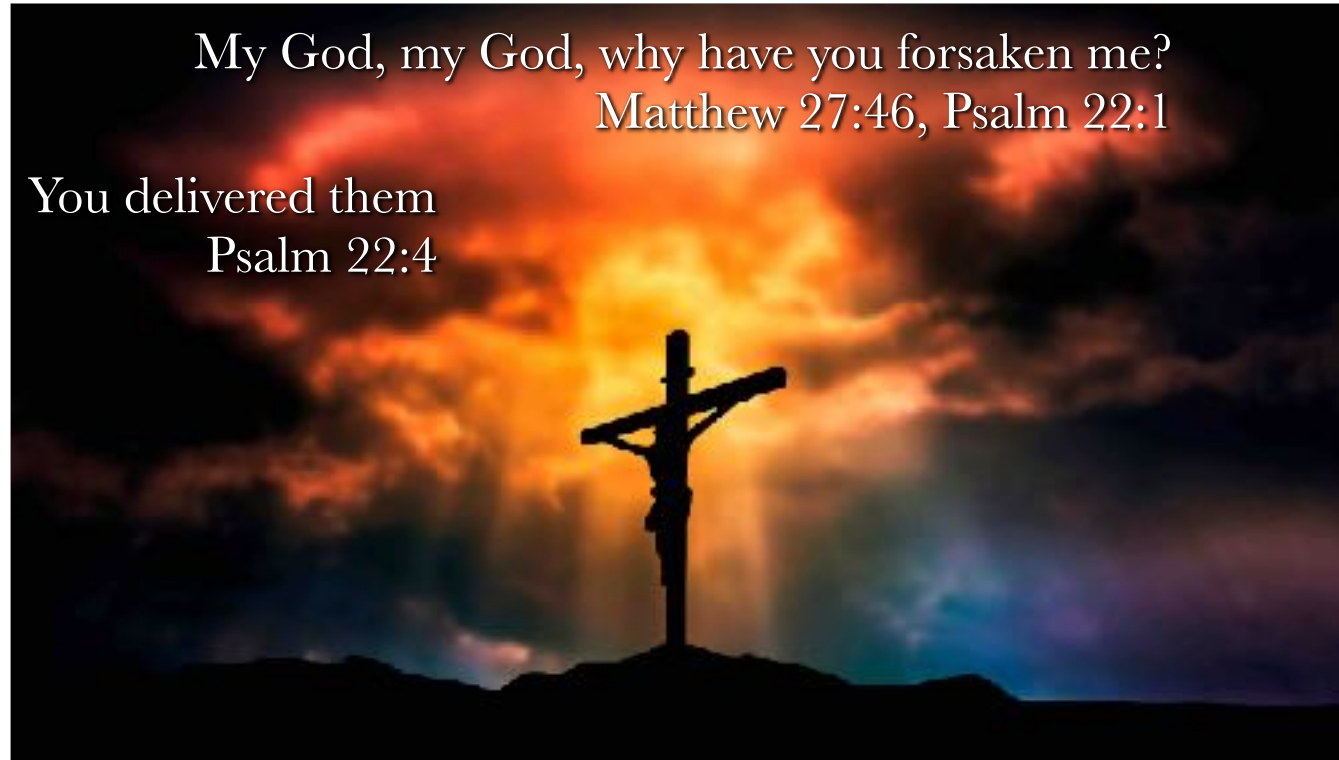
My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
Matthew 27:46, Psalm 22:1



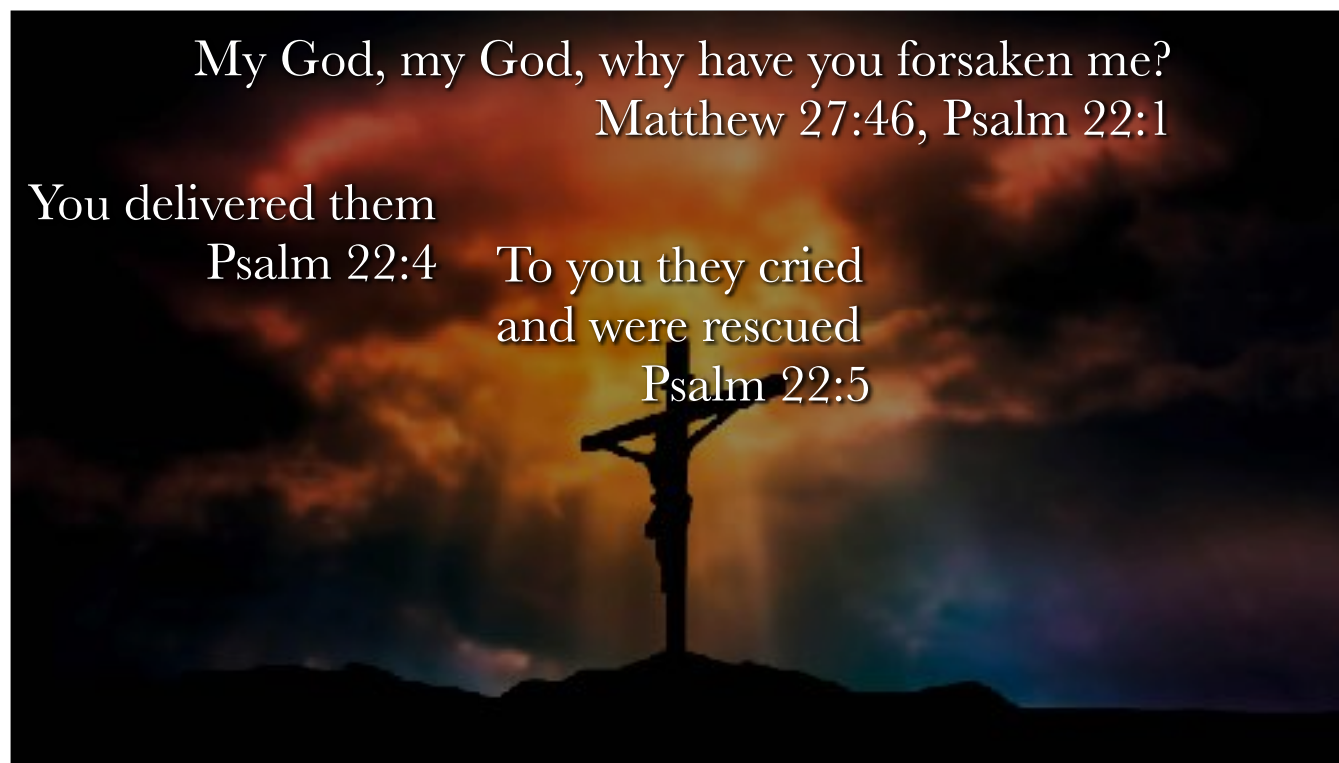
- Matthew 27:46 And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, “Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?” that is, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”
 - Psalms 22:1 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
Matthew 27:46, Psalm 22:1

You delivered them
Psalm 22:4



- Psalms 22:4 In you our fathers trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.



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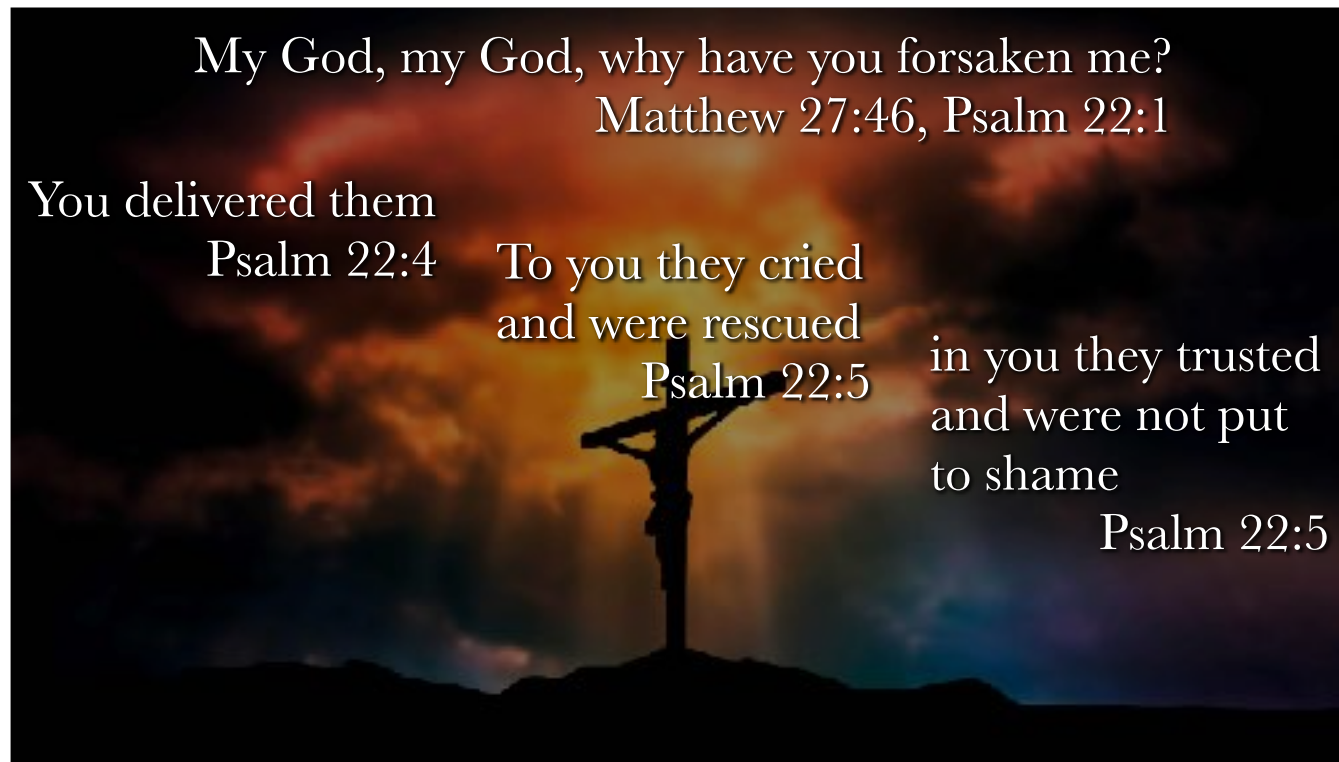
You delivered them

Psalm 22:4

To you they cried
and were rescued

Psalm 22:5

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- Psalms 22:5 in you they trusted and were not put to shame.



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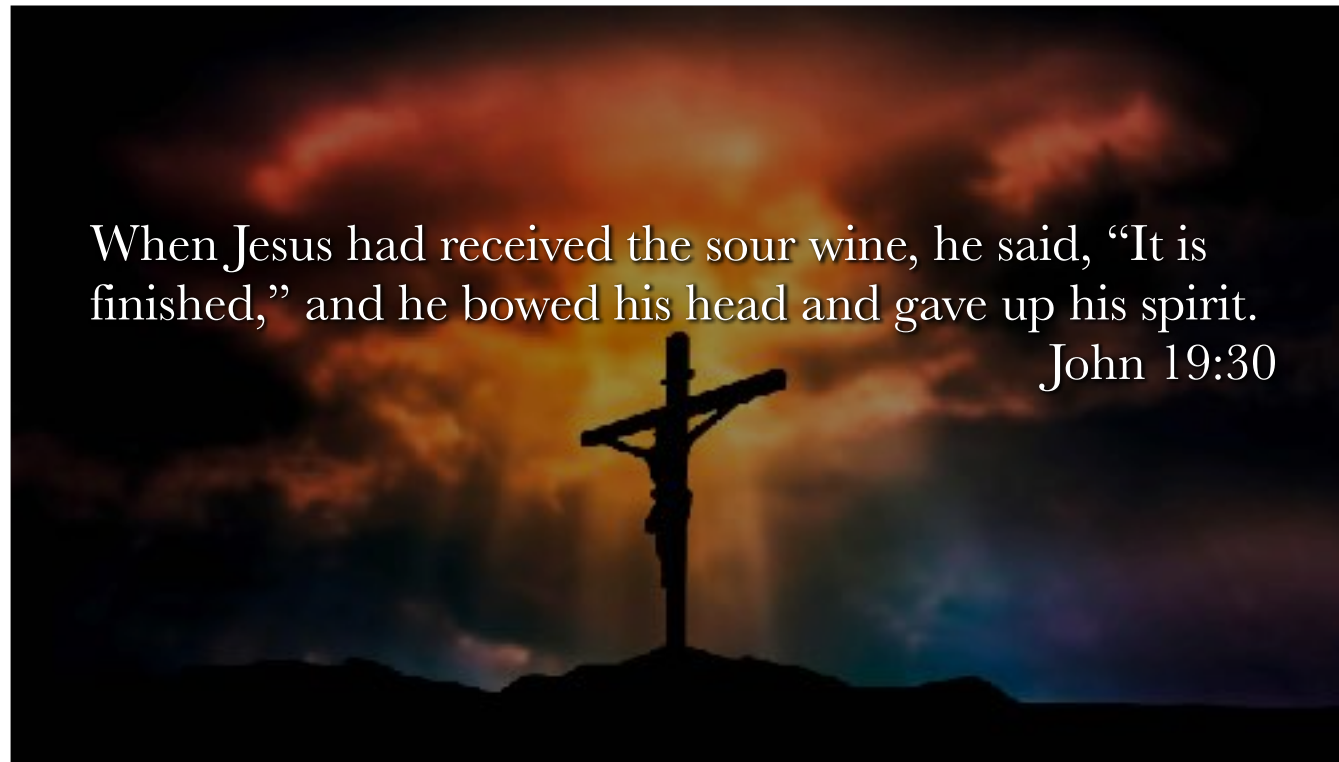
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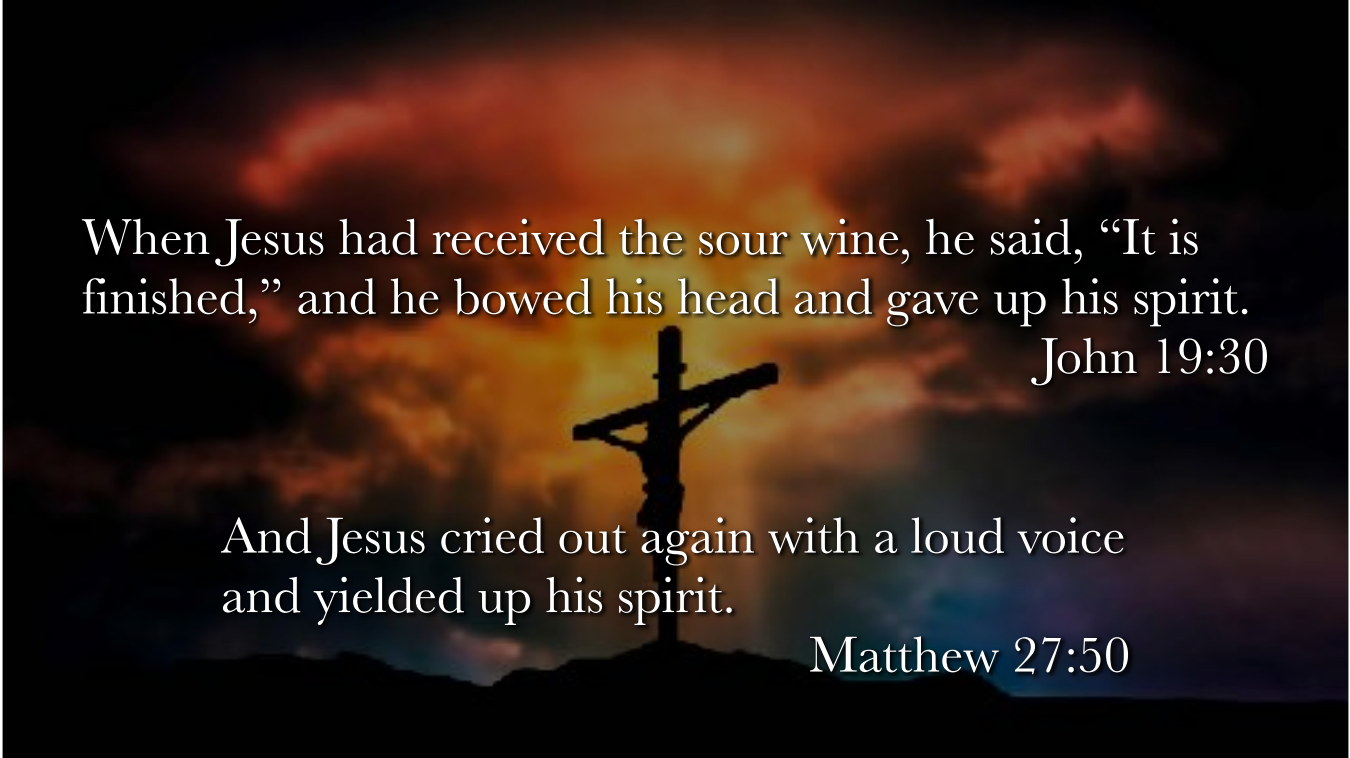
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Psalm 22:31

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John 19:30

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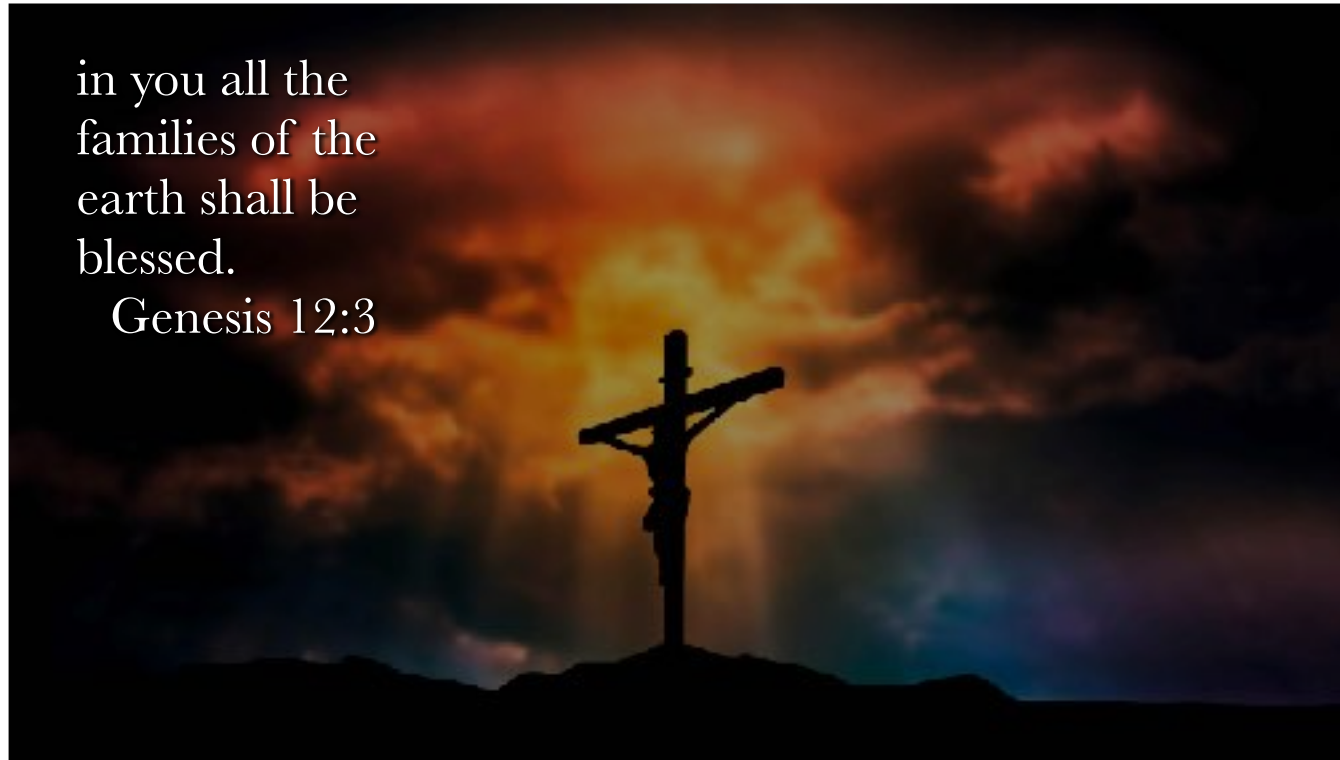
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- What was finished on the cross?

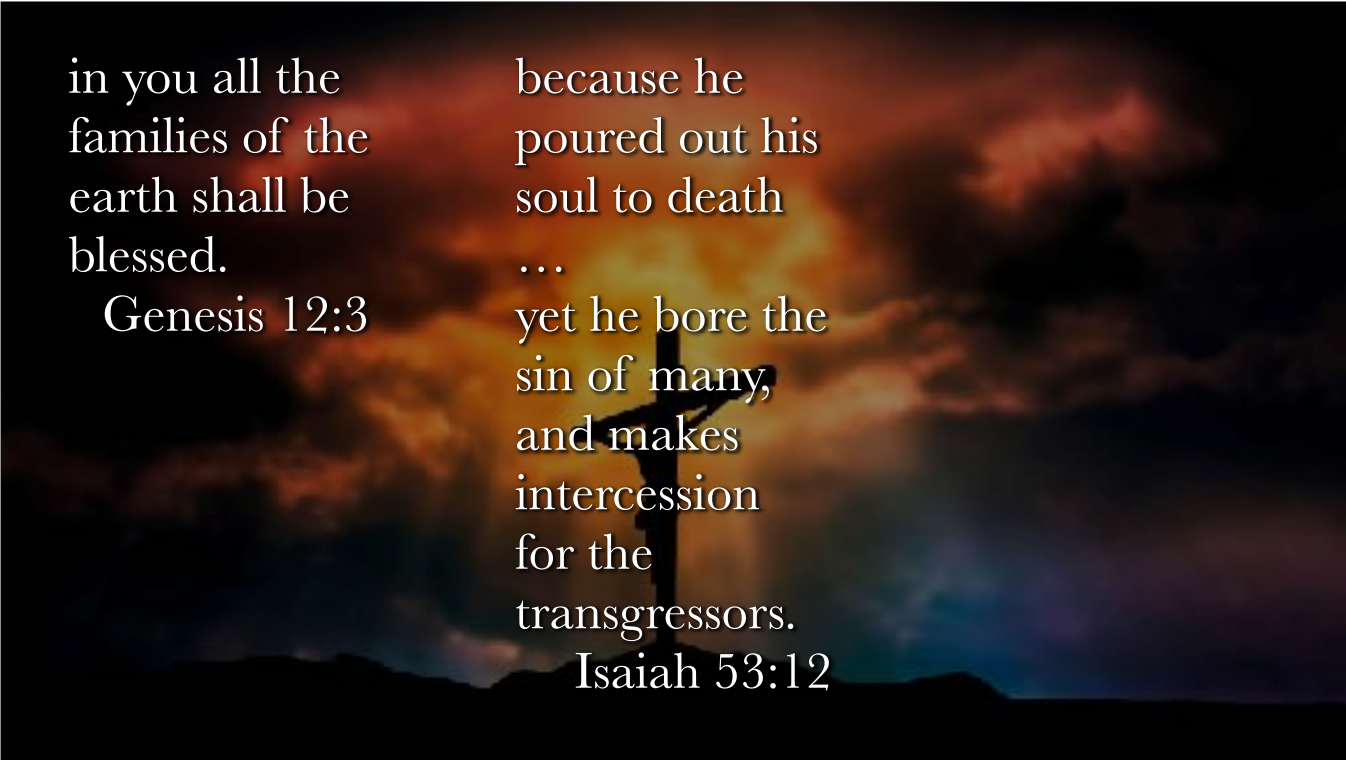
in you all the
families of the
earth shall be
blessed.

Genesis 12:3



- Abraham

- Genesis 12:3 I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”



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Genesis 12:3

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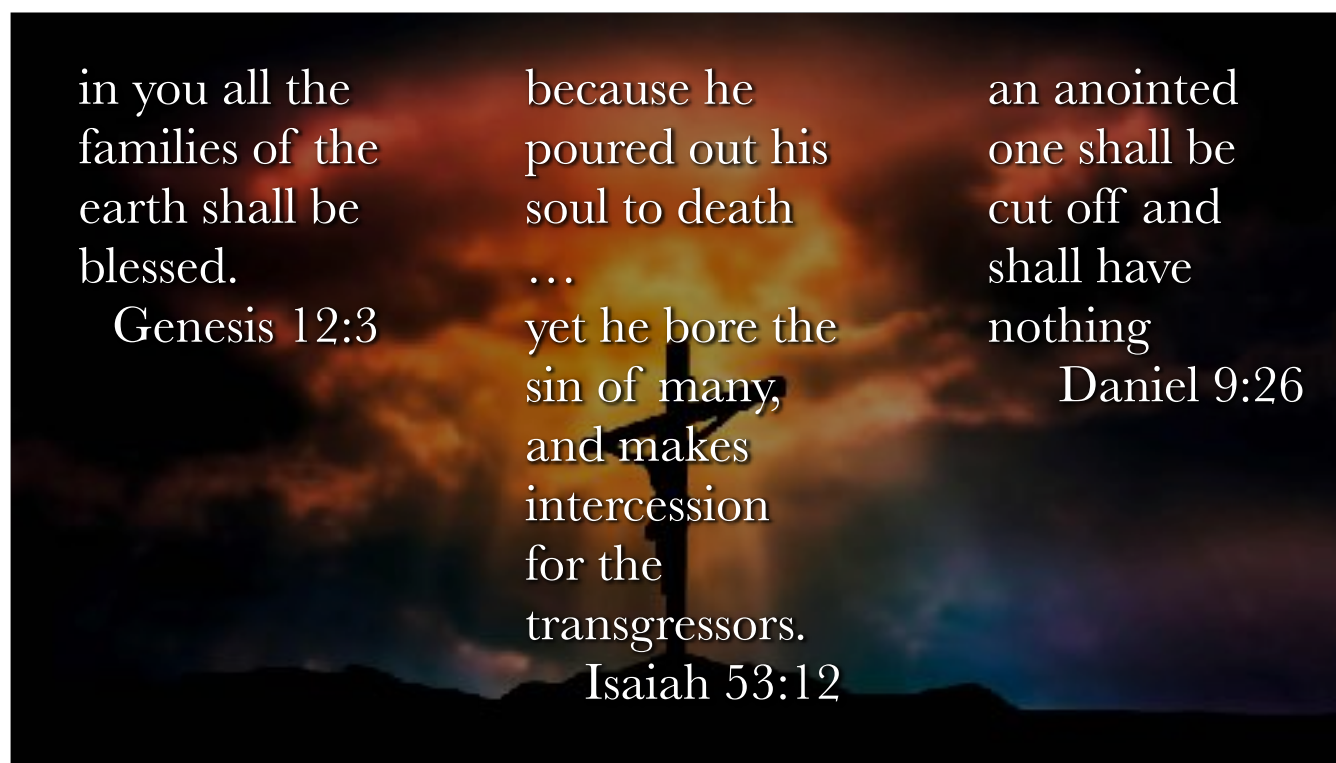
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sin of many,
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Isaiah 53:12

- Isaiah

- Isaiah 53:8 that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people?
- Isaiah 53:12: because he poured out his soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.



- Daniel

- Daniel 9:26 And after the sixty-two weeks, an anointed one shall be cut off and shall have nothing. And the people of the prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. Its end shall come with a flood, and to the end there shall be war. Desolations are decreed.

Jesus Came ...

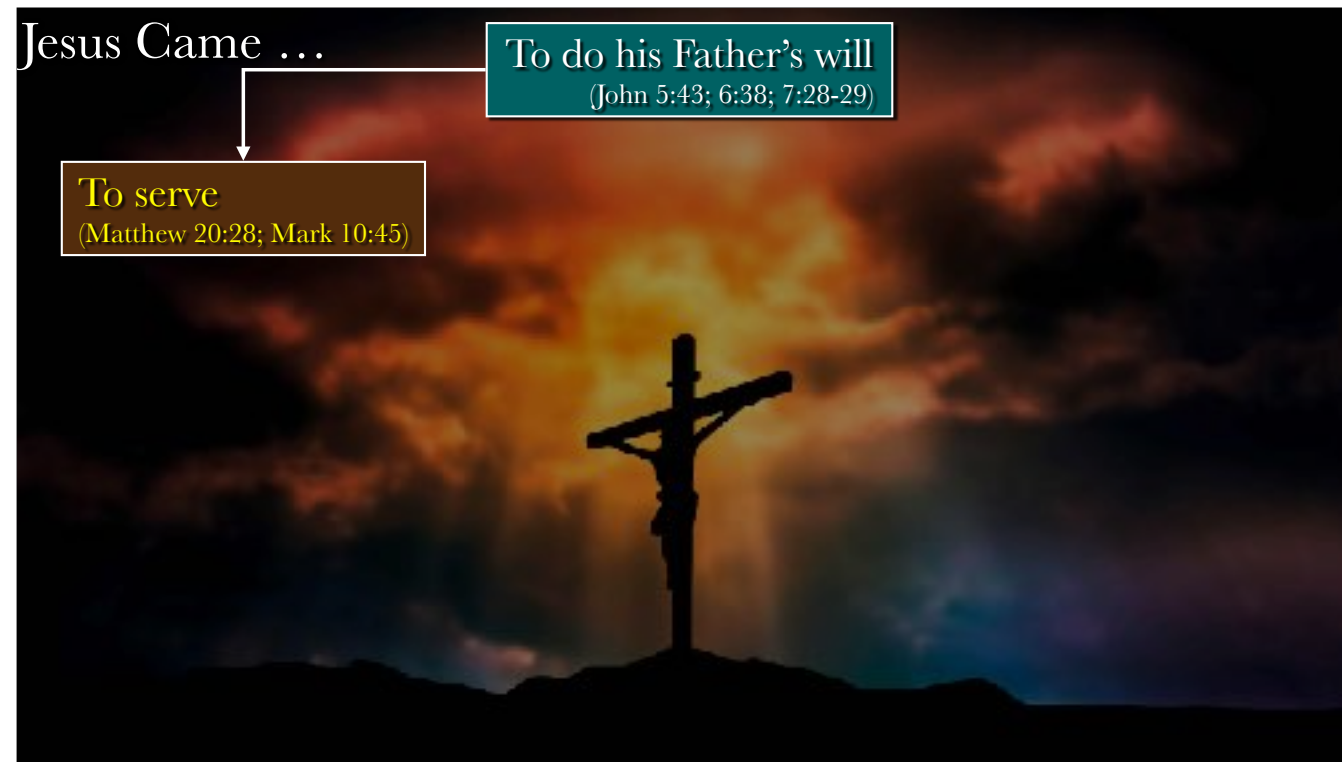


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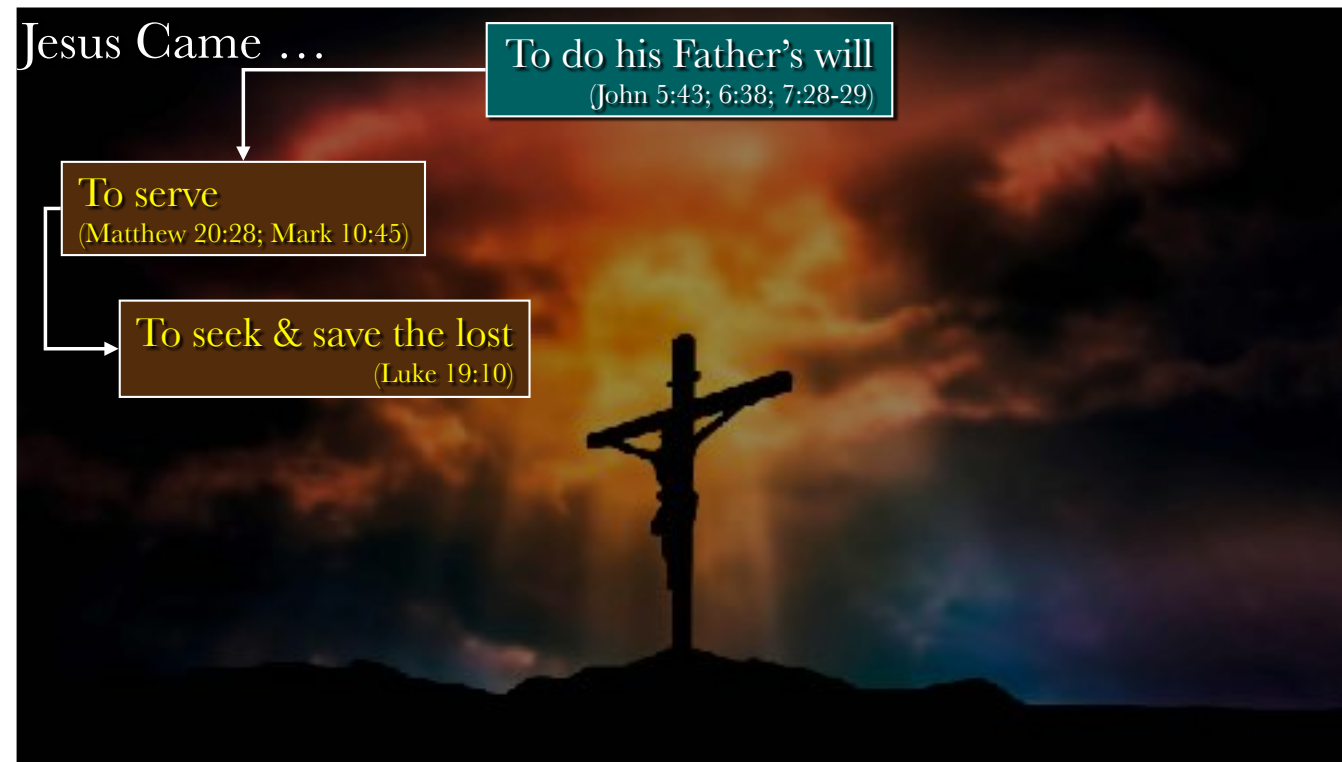
To do his Father's will
(John 5:43; 6:38; 7:28-29)



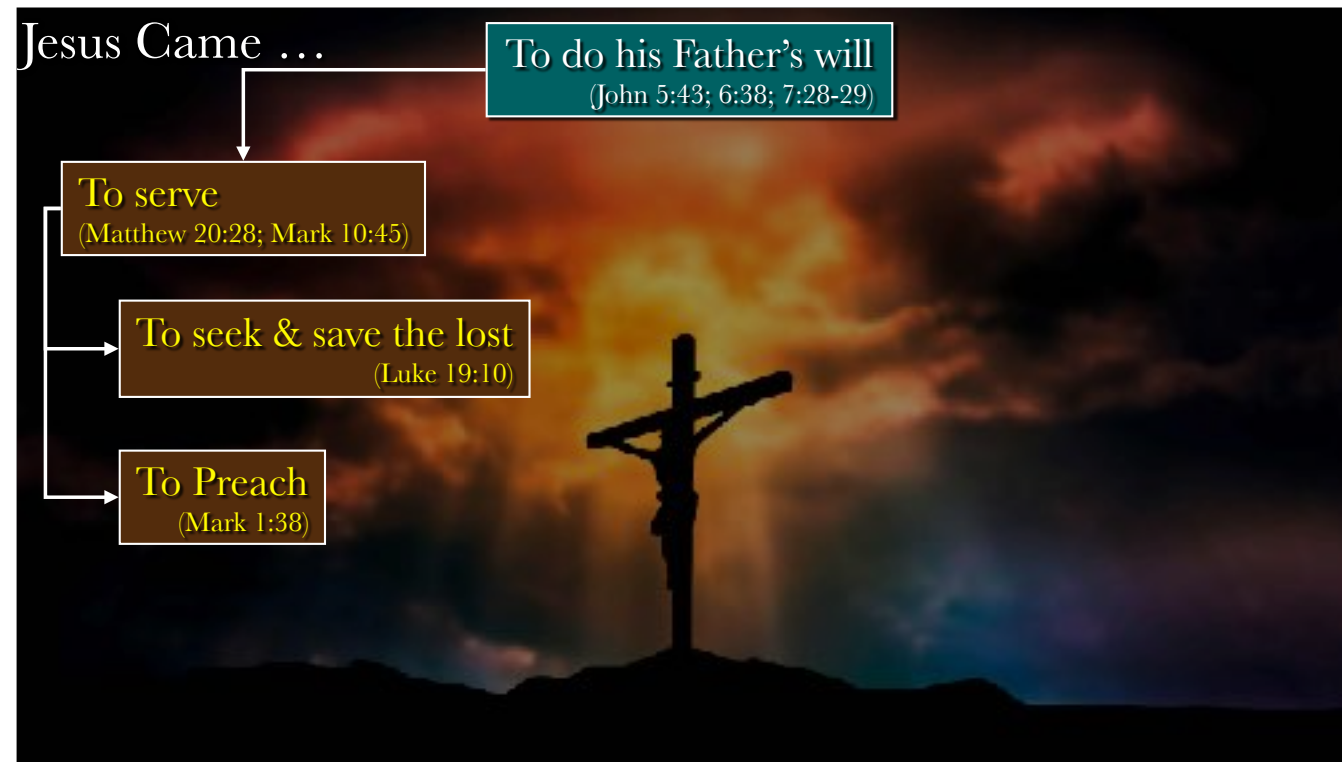
- Jesus came to do his father's will ...
 - John 6:38 For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me.
 - As planned and as foretold
- Opposition from Satan
- Opposition from Religious leaders
- Opposition from his own people



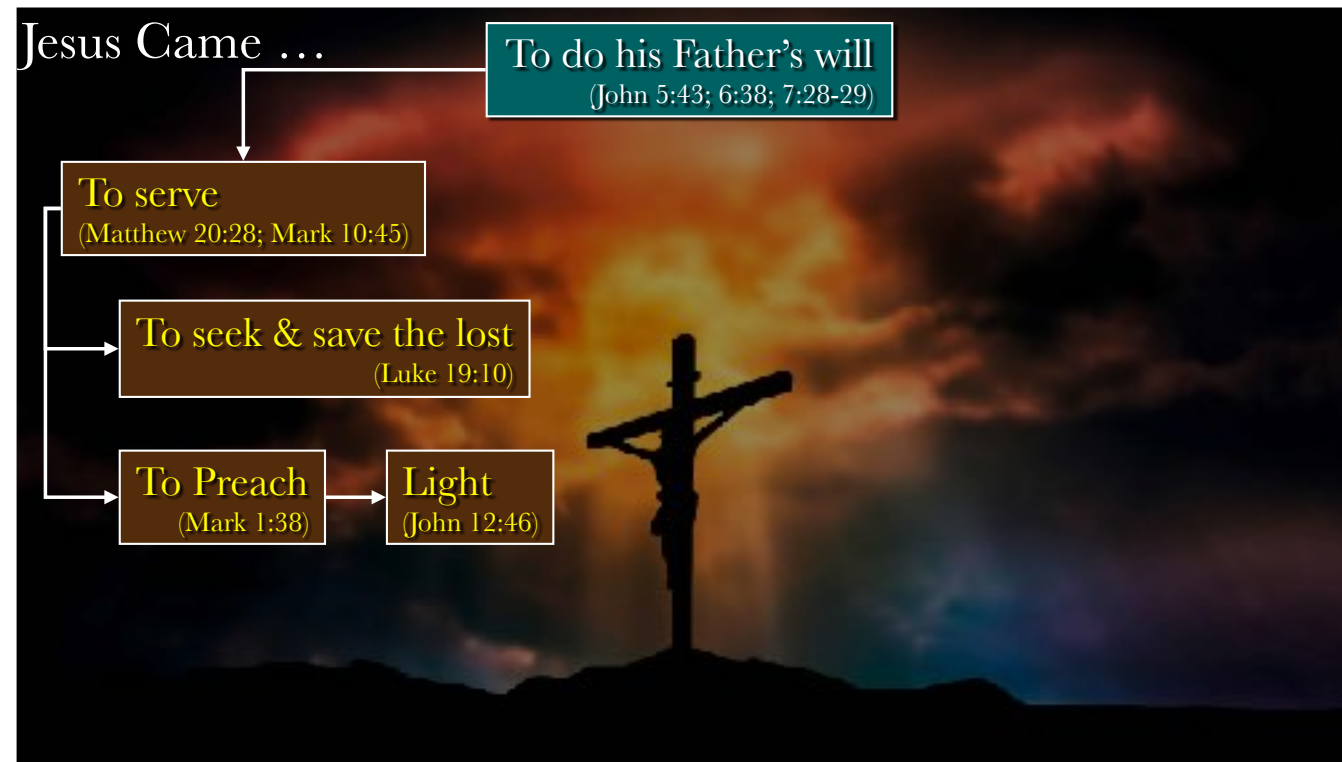
- Jesus came to serve
 - Matthew 20:28 even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”



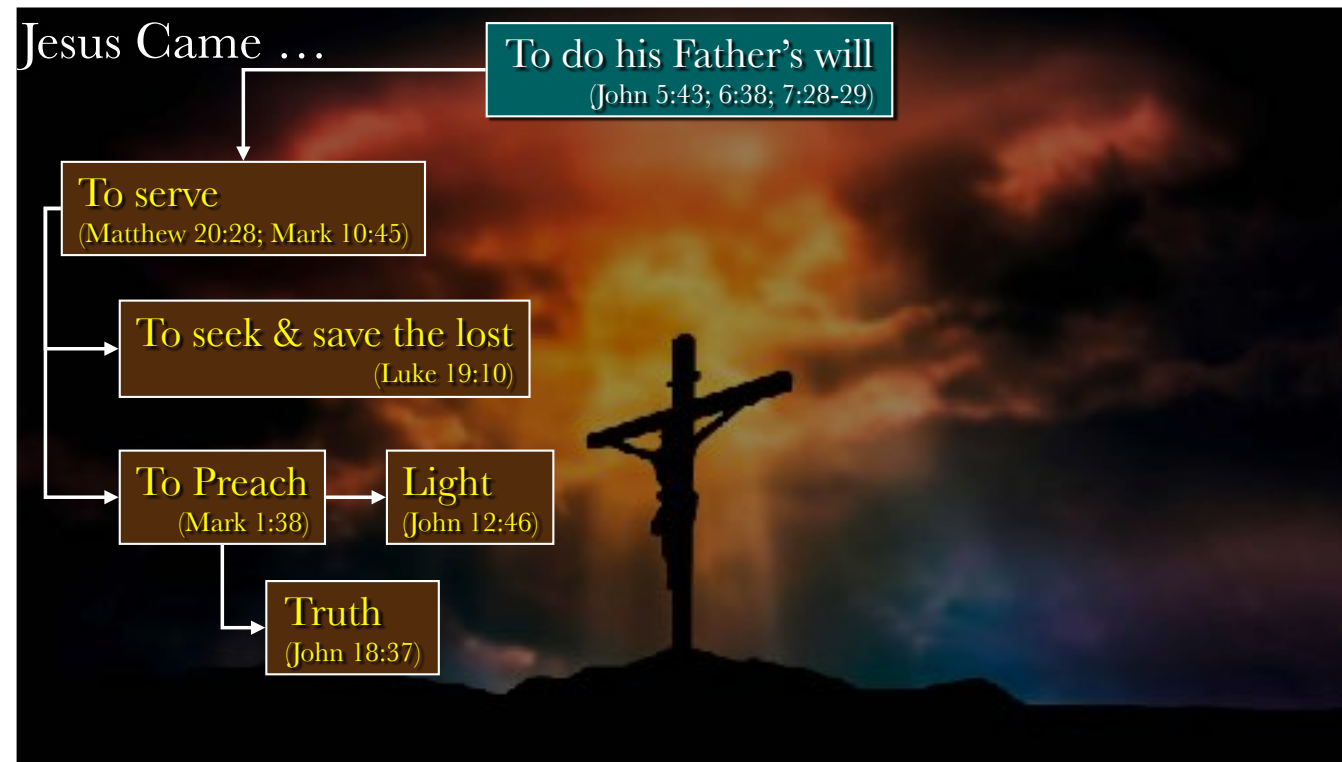
- Jesus came to seek and save the lost
 - Luke 19:10 For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.
- Note the seek ...



- Jesus came to preach
 - Mark 1:38 And he said to them, “Let us go on to the next towns, that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out.”

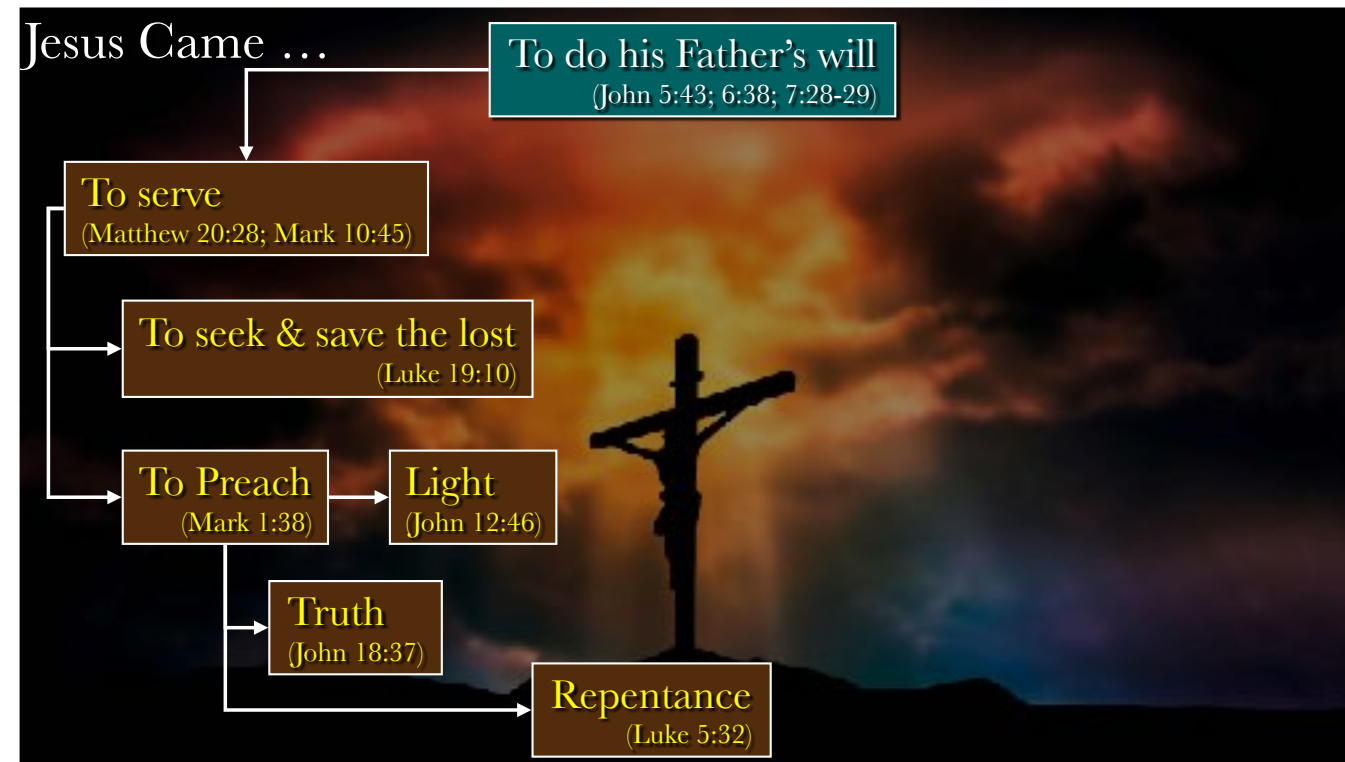


- He preached as light
 - John 12:46 I have come into the world as light, so that whoever believes in me may not remain in darkness.

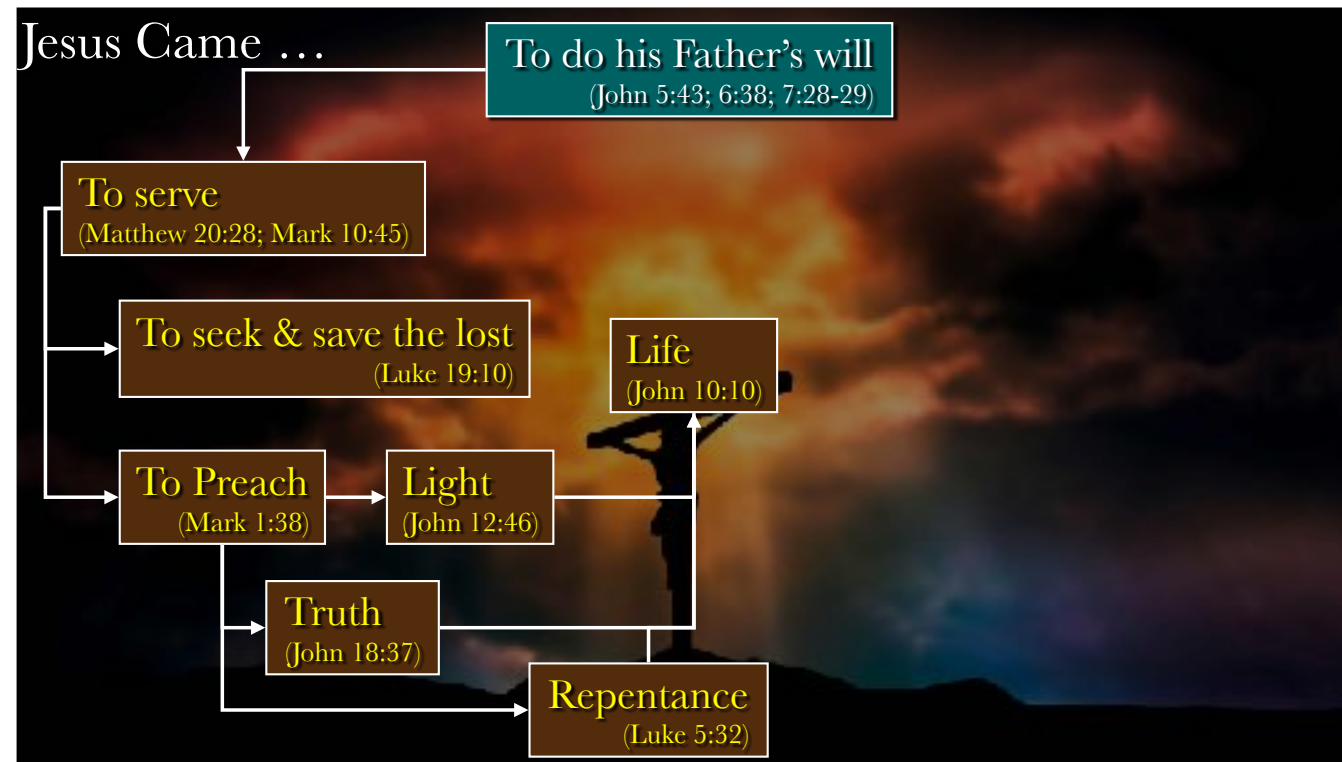


- He preached truth

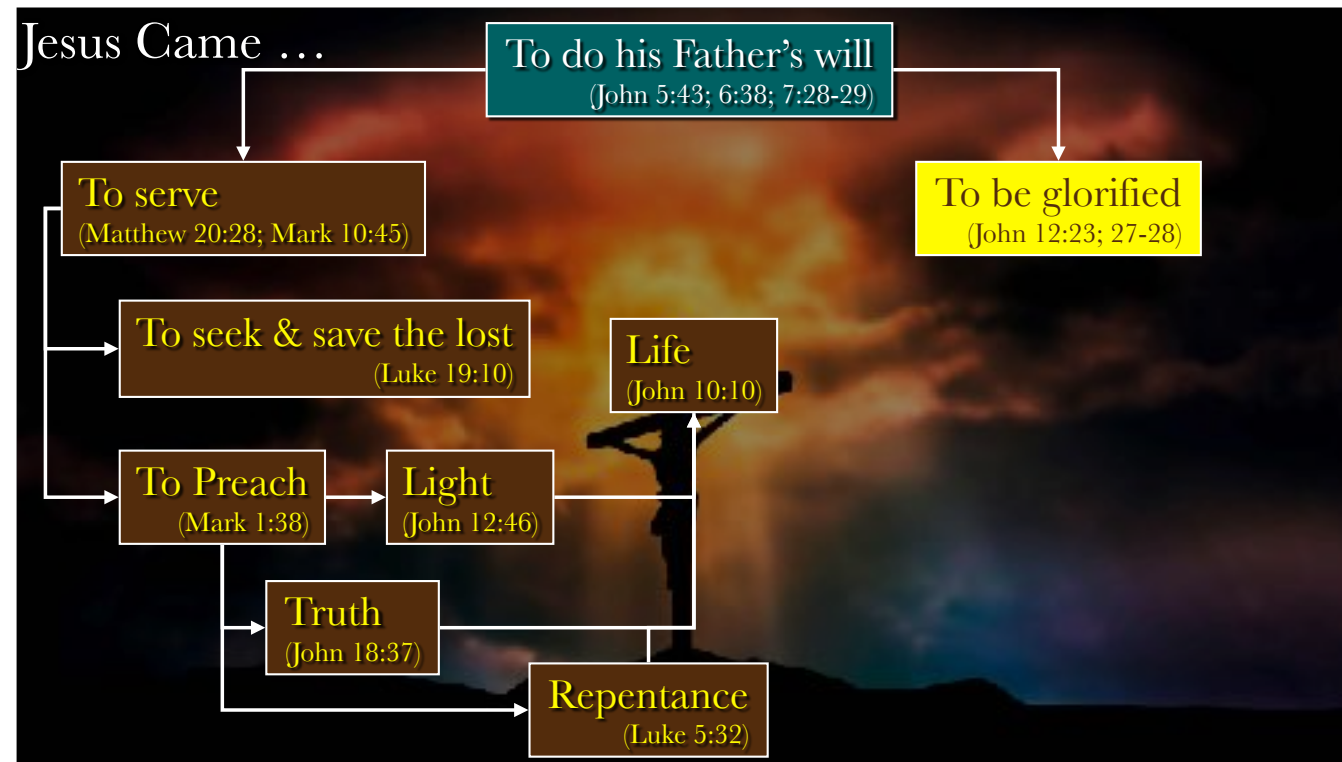
- John 18:37 Then Pilate said to him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice."
- John 8:32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."



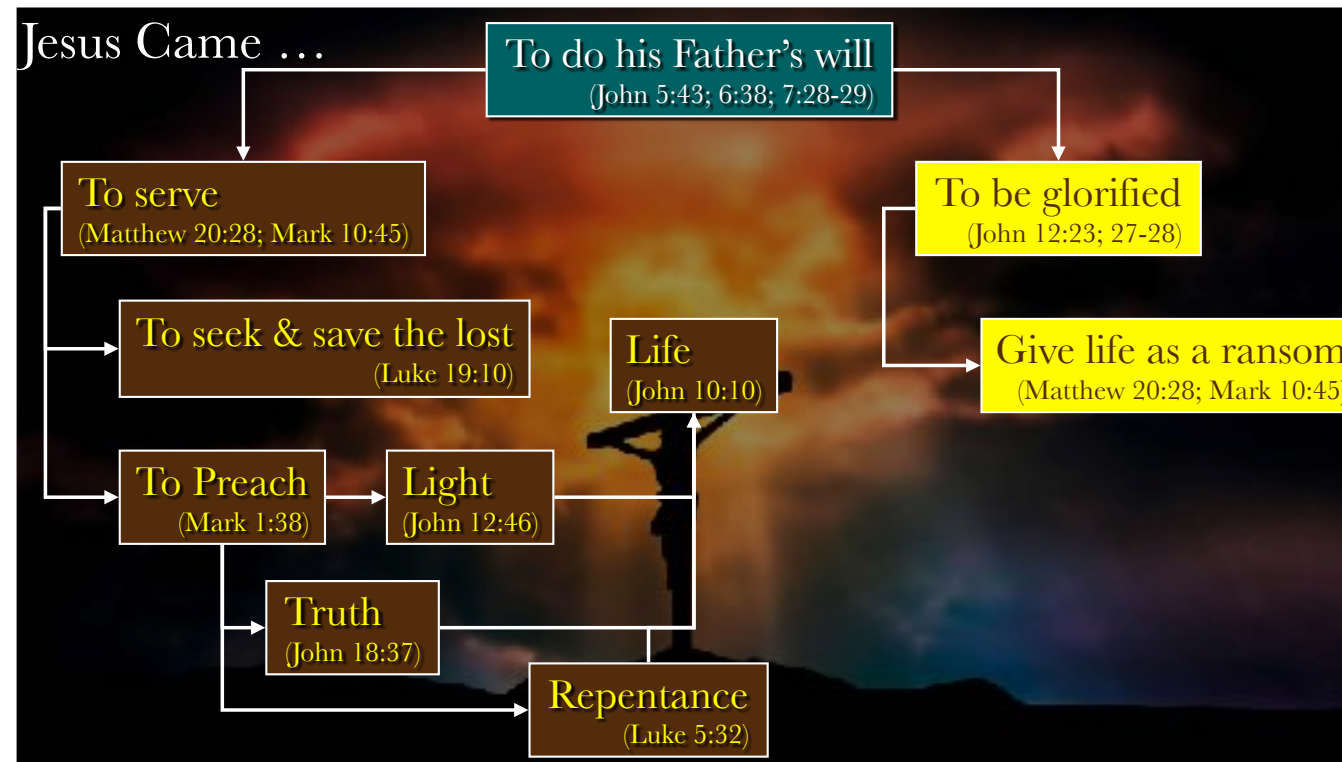
- Jesus preached repentance to sinners (that's all of us)
 - Luke 5:32 I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance."



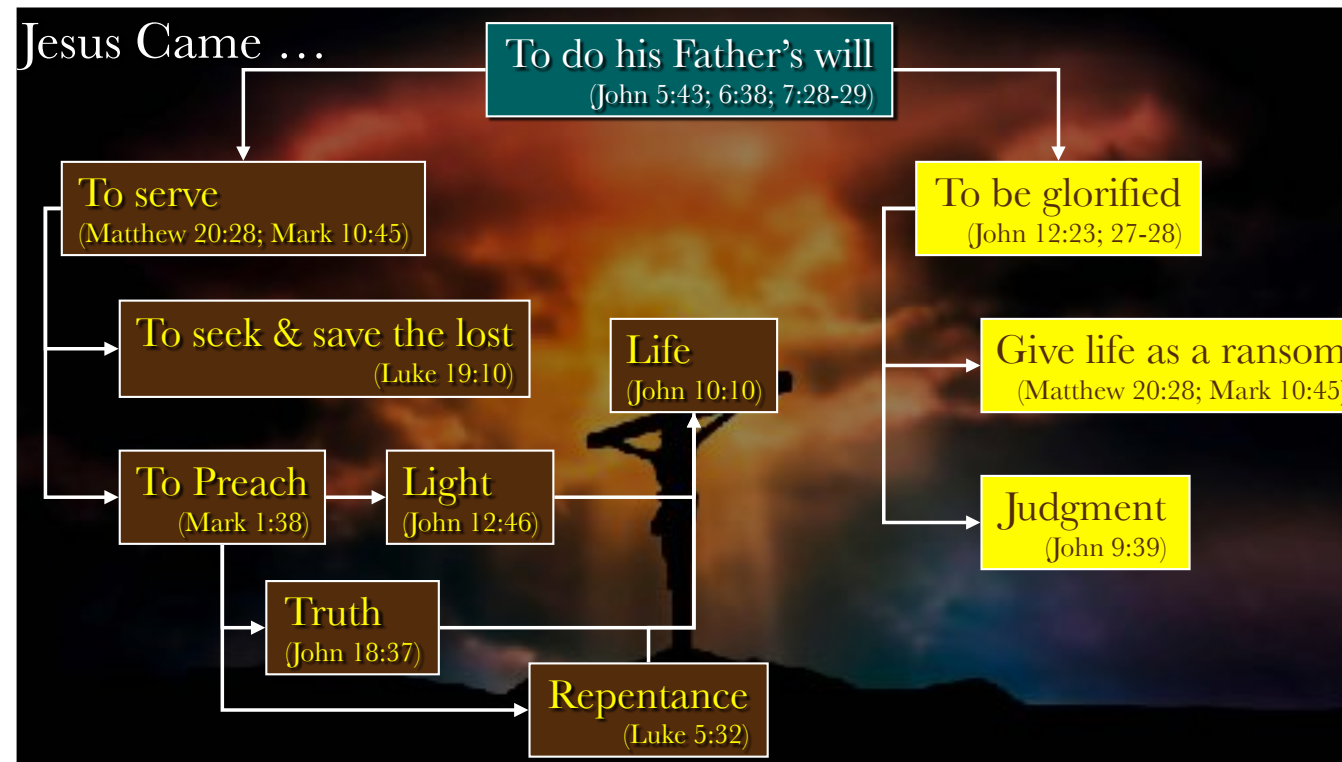
- All that preaching is about bringing us to life
 - John 10:10 I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.



- Jesus came to be glorified
 - John 12:23 And Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.
- While it seems that Jesus on the cross would be defeat
- Yet at this moment Jesus is glorified, fulfilling His father’s eternal plan for our salvation



- Jesus came to give his life as a ransom for many
 - Matthew 20:28 even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”
- In this moment,
 - as a sacrifice for sin
 - Jesus’ love on full display for all people
-



- Jesus came for judgment
 - John 9:39 Jesus said, “For judgment I came into this world,
 - that those who do not see may see,
 - and those who see may become blind.”
- The judgment is real
 - But Jesus came to save us from the judgment
 - Light and life through him



It Is Finished!
τετέλεσται

How it is used among the Greeks:

Servants: “I’ve finished the work you gave me to do.”

Priests: “It is perfect.”

Artists: “The picture is completed.”

Merchants: “The debt is fully paid.”

- It is finished! “tetelestai”
- Servants used this word when they were finished with a task and reported it to their master
 - “I have finished the work you gave me to do.”
- Priests: used to show approval for a sacrifice that was faultless:
 - “It is perfect”
- Artists: for completed artwork
 - “It is finished”; The picture is completed
- Merchants: the debt is fully paid
- Did Jesus accomplish his Father's plan?
- Did he finish what he had come to do?

How Jesus' Death on the Cross Helps Me



- How Jesus' Death on the Cross Helps Me
 - What it means to me that it is finished.
- Hebrews 2:16 For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham.

How Jesus' Death on the Cross Helps Me

Destroy the Devil
(power of death)



- Hebrews 2:14-15 (ESV)
 - 14 Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things,
 - that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil,

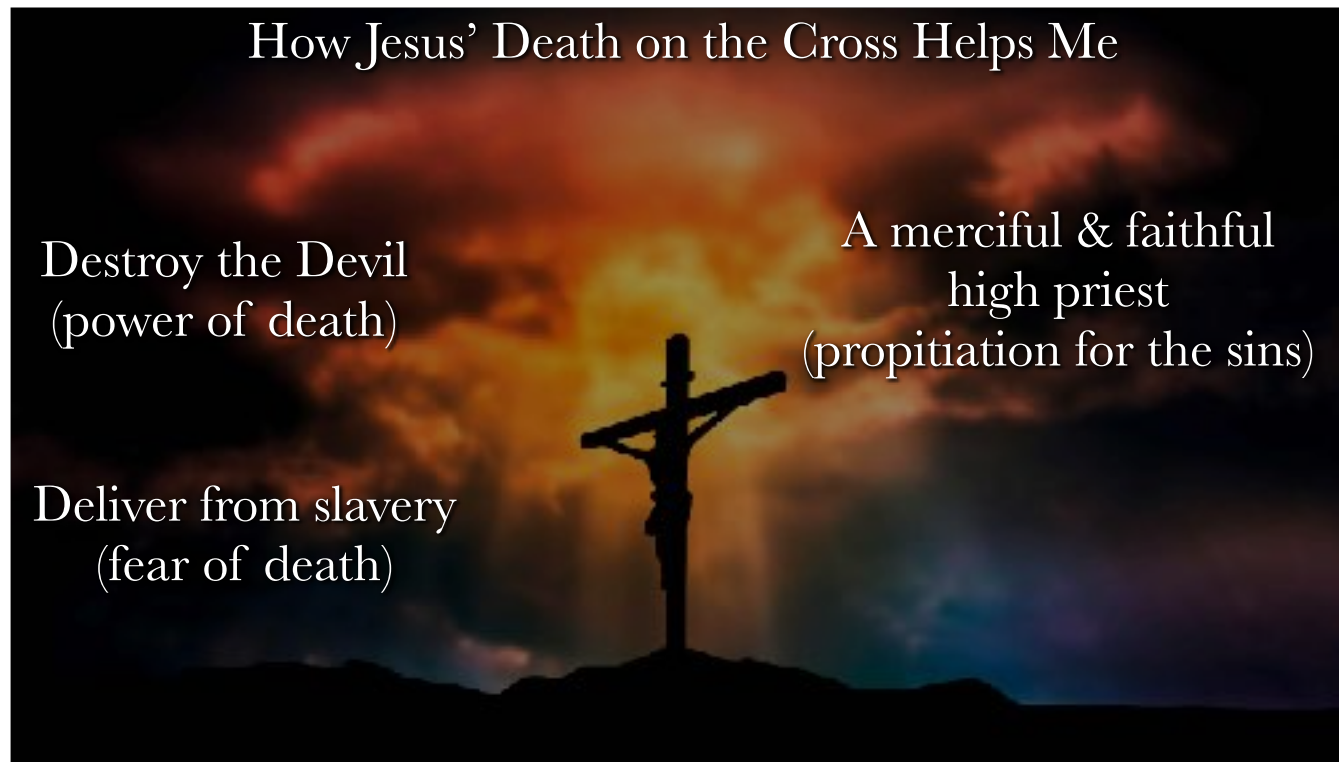
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Destroy the Devil
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Deliver from slavery
(fear of death)

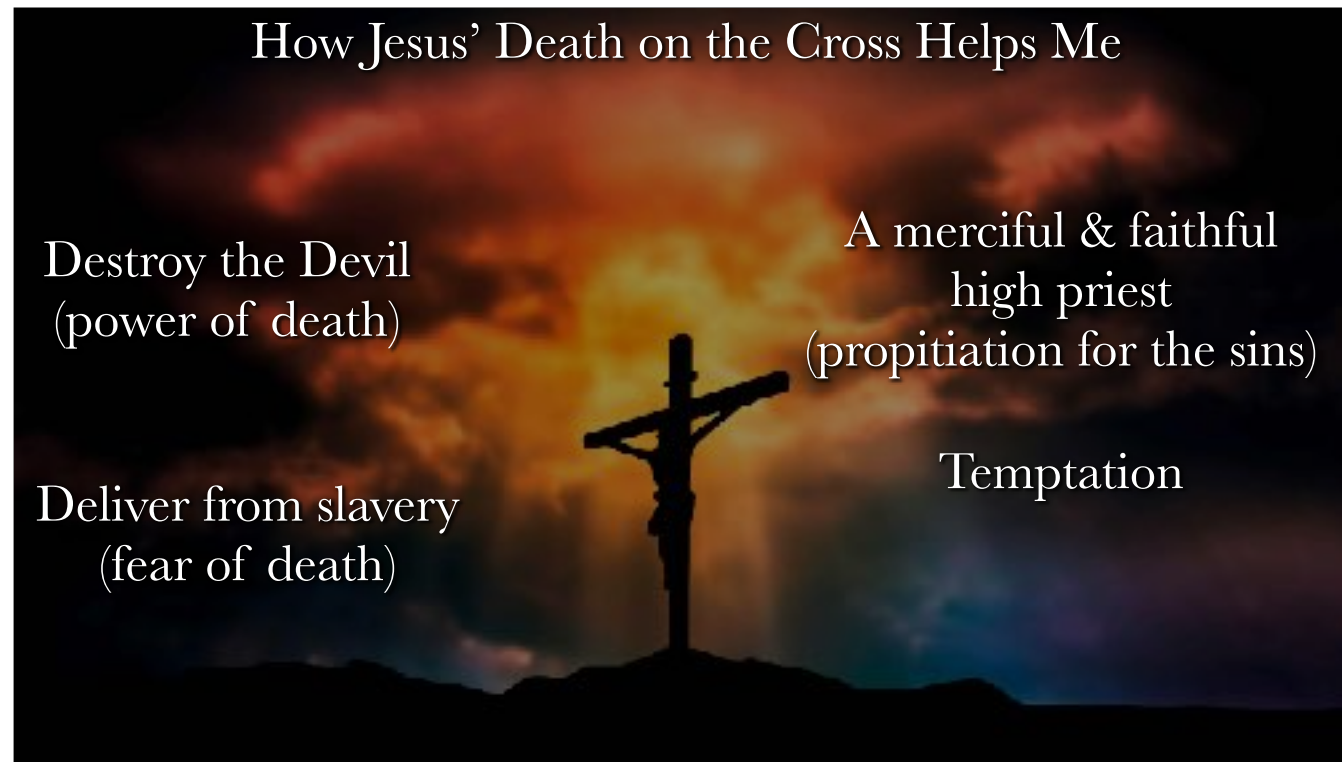


- 15 and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.



- Hebrews 2:16-18 (ESV)

- 16 For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham. 17 Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.



- Specifically: Help when I am tempted
- Hebrews 2:18 For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.
- Hebrews 4:15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.

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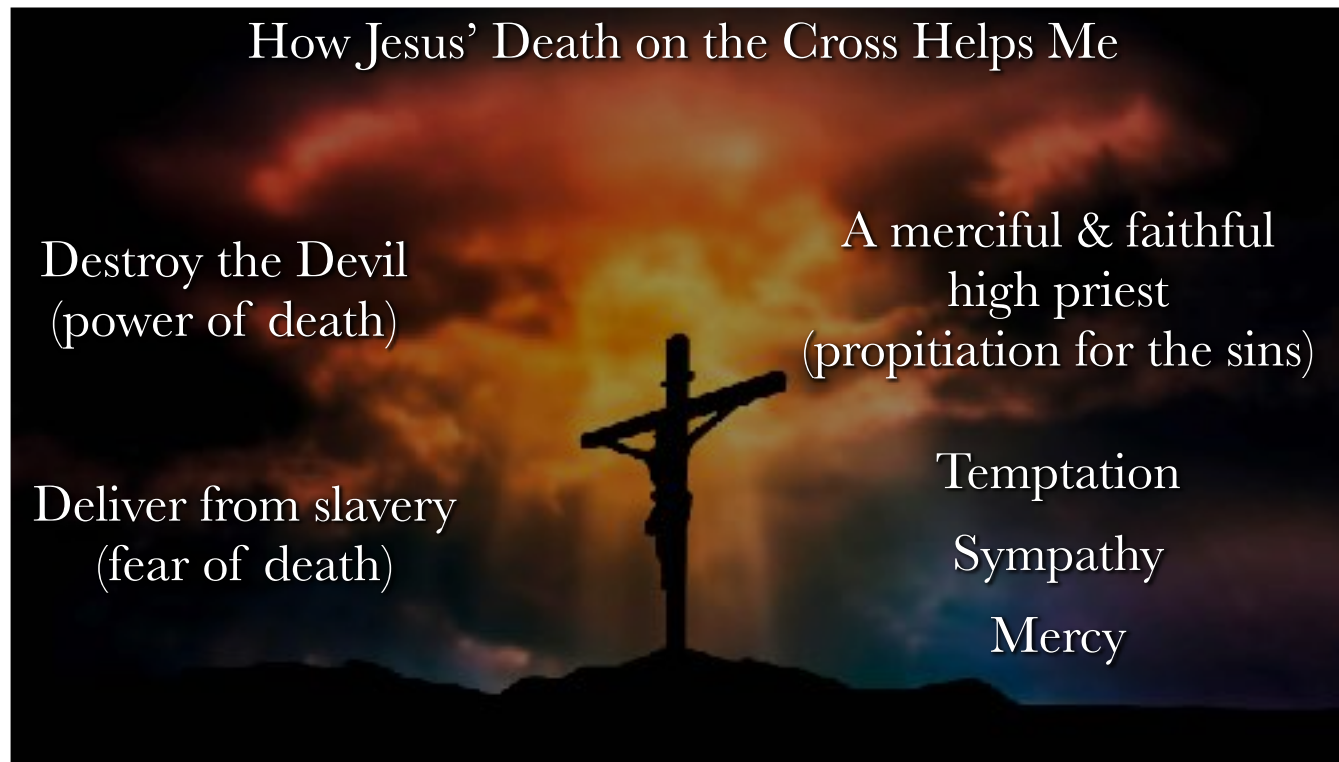
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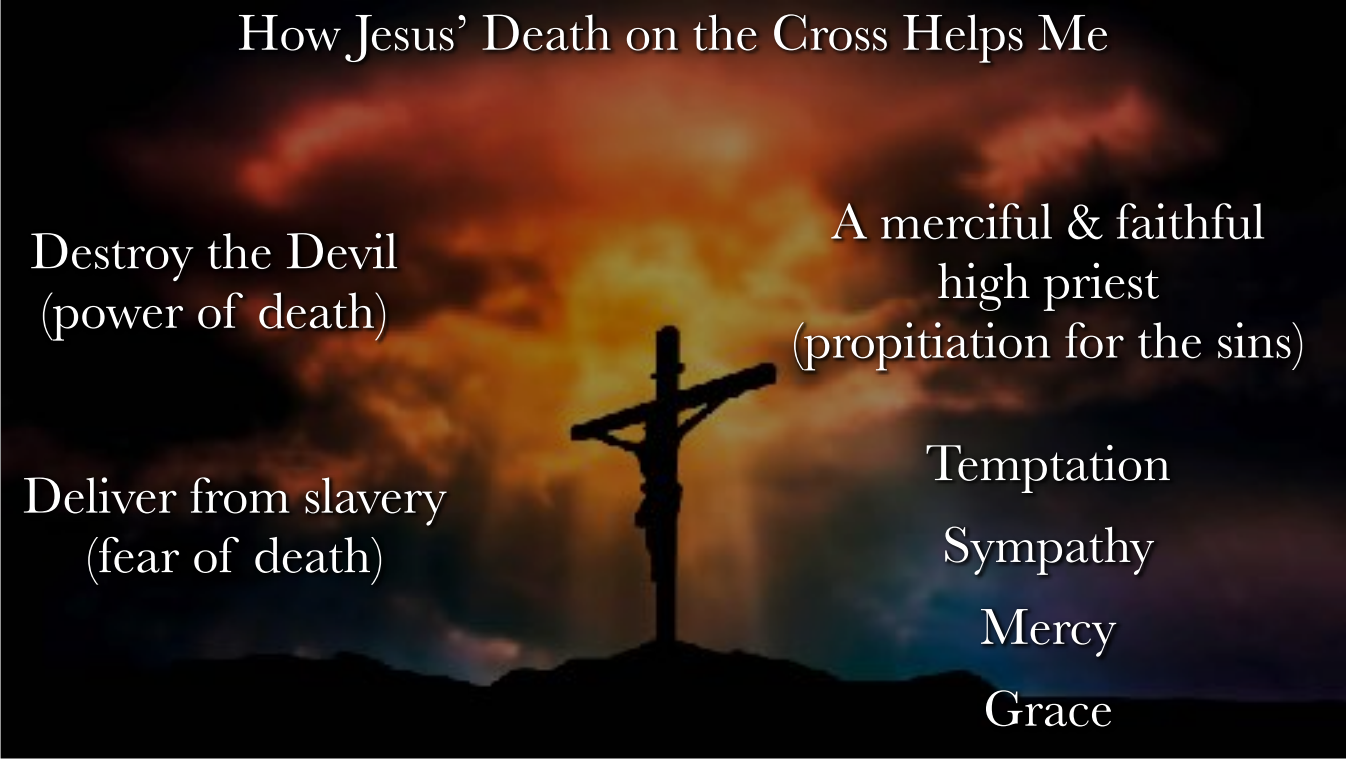
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Temptation
Sympathy

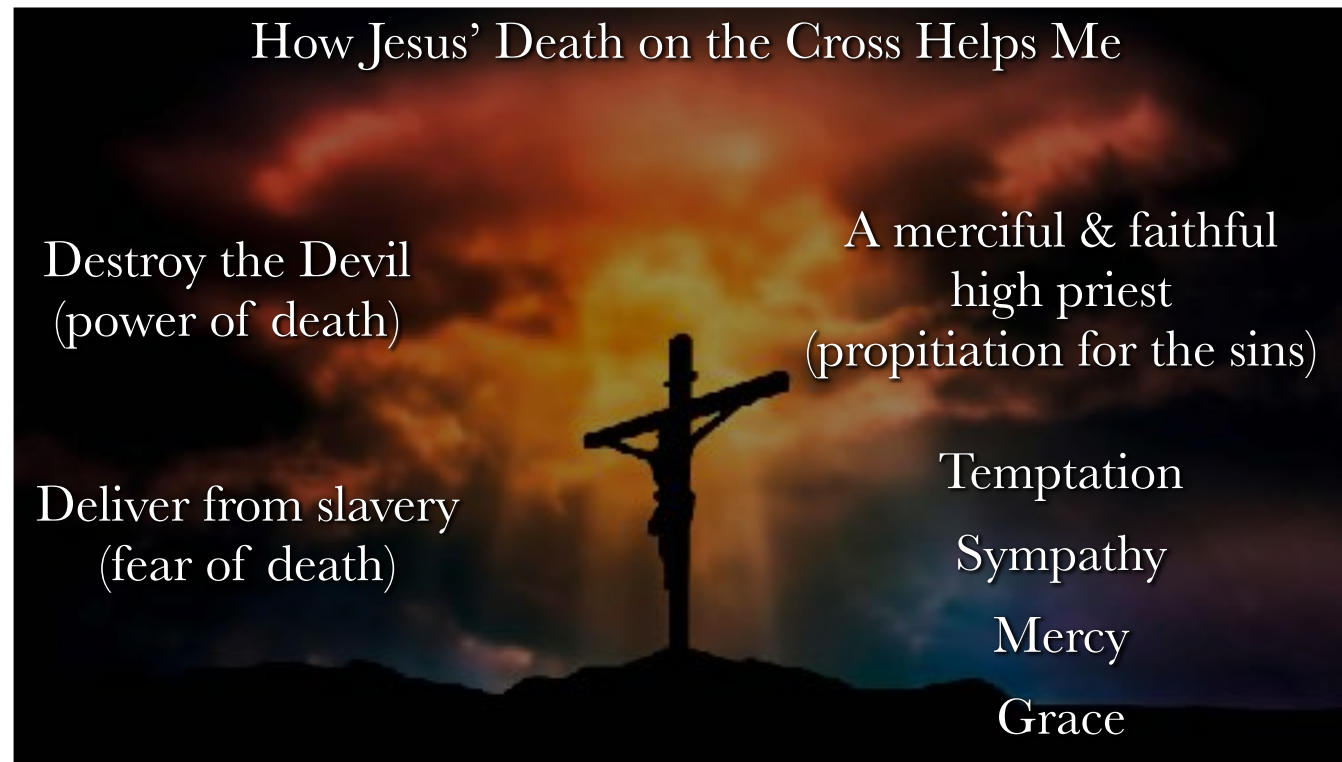
- Help when we are weak
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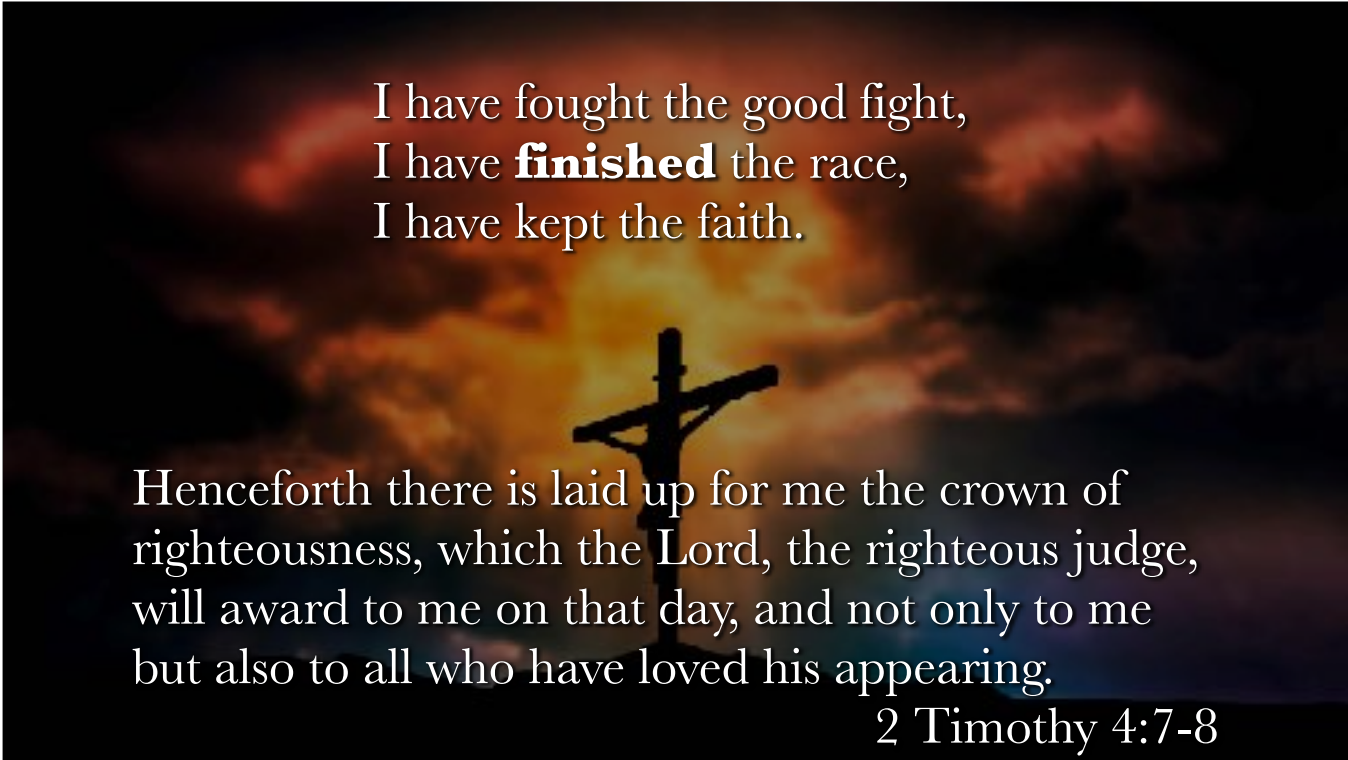
- Help because he gives mercy.
- Hebrews 4:16 Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.



- Help because he is gracious in our time of need
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- Hold fast to our confession
- Draw near to throne with confidence
- Hebrews 4:14,16 (ESV)
 - 14 Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.
 - 16 Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.



I have fought the good fight,
I have **finished** the race,
I have kept the faith.

Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of
righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge,
will award to me on that day, and not only to me
but also to all who have loved his appearing.

2 Timothy 4:7-8

- 2 Timothy 4:7-8 (ESV)

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- I have kept the faith.
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We implore you
on behalf of Christ,
be reconciled to God.

2 Corinthians 5:20

Call to Action

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It Is Finished

John 19:30

Synopsis: What does Jesus mean when he proclaims “It is finished” while he is on the cross. In this lesson we look at the prophecies that lead to this moment, why Jesus came and how his dying on the cross helps us. (Adapted from The Cross of Jesus: What His Words from Calvary Mean For Us by Warren Wiersbe.)

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