WHAT DOES THE DEATH OF JESUS MEAN?

Luke 23:33-46

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Introduction: No doubt the crucifixion of Jesus Christ has had a tremendous impact on the world and in heaven as well. We have but to re-read the biblical account and we can relive that day in our minds and in hearts. The death of Jesus affected every thing and everybody. The sun stood still, the world was in darkness and all was silent. The death of Jesus brought tremendous changes. Let's take a look at some of the results of Jesus' death.

I. WHAT THE DEATH OF JESUS MEANS FOR THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN HIM

- 1. Believers have been saved from the curse of the law. *Galatians 3:13*
- 2. Believers have forgiveness secured for them. Revelation 1:5; 1 John 1:9
- 3. Believers have been justified. *Romans 5:9*
- 4. Believers have been saved from the wrath of God. *Romans 5:9*
- 5. Believers have been given new life through being regenerated (re-born). 2 Corinthians 5:17
- 6. Believers have been sanctified. *Hebrews 10:10*
- 7. Believers have been adopted as children of God. *Galatians 4:3-5*
- 8. Believers have been reconciled to God. *Romans 5:10*
- 9. Believers have been cleansed by His blood. 1 John 1:7
- 10. Believers have been given eternal life. *John 3:14-16*

II. WHAT THE DEATH OF JESUS MEANS FOR THOSE WHO DO NOT BELIEVE IN HIM

- 1. Salvation is ready for non-believers to take, receive, have. John 1:29
- 2. Provision has been made for every human being to be able to have eternal life. *1 Timothy 2:6; Hebrews 2:9*

III. WHAT THE DEATH OF JESUS MEANS FOR SATAN AND HIS DEMONS

- 1. They have been defeated. John 12:31; Colossians 2:14-15
- 2. They have been condemned forever. Jude 6; Revelation 20:10

IV. WHAT THE DEATH OF JESUS MEANS FOR THE ENTIRE UNIVERSE

1. All things in the entire universe has been reconciled. Colossians 1:19-20; Romans 8:20-22

V. WHAT THE DEATH OF JESUS MEANT FOR HIMSELF

- 1. He was able to return to His former glory. *John 17:1*
- 2. There was great exhaltation. *Philippians 2:8-9*
- 3. There was joy for Him. *Hebrews 12:2*

VI. WHAT THE DEATH OF JESUS MEANT FOR GOD THE FATHER

- 1. It revealed the love that God has for everyone. *Romans* 5:8
- 2. It revealed the anger/wrath of God toward sin. Matthew 27:46
- 3. It provided the means for God to have a "family," "children" for all eternity.

VII. WHAT THE DEATH OF JESUS MEANT FOR BEING LIMITED

1. The death of Jesus was a final act, a final thing. Nothing else is needed. *Hebrews* 9:25-27; 10:11-12

CONCLUSION:

- 1. The death of Jesus affected the entire universe, all of the angelic beings, the entire human race and God, the Father.
- 2. What has the death of Jesus meant to YOU?
- 3. Who is Jesus to you?