



Adding insults to injury.

Matthew 27:39 – 44; Mark 15:29 – 32; Luke 23:35 – 43

- **Matt. 27: 39 NKJV** “And those who passed by blasphemed Him, wagging their heads ⁴⁰and saying, “You who destroy the temple and build *it* in three days, save Yourself! If You are the Son of God, come down from the cross.”
- **Mark 15:32 NKJV** “Let the Christ, the King of Israel, descend now from the cross, that we may see and believe. Even those who were crucified with Him reviled Him.”

Jesus is now a pathetic spectacle, blood-streaked, covered with wounds and exposed to the view of the people. He experiences hours of pain in His entire body, fatigue in His arms, great waves of cramps in the muscles, and skin torn from His body. Then, another agony begins, a crushing pain deep in the chest as the fluid begins to compress the heart. He feels an intense thirst (**John 19: 29**) and is aware of the abuse and ridicule of those who pass by the cross.

As if it is not enough to be totally consumed in pain, now Jesus has to endure the insults hurled at Him by the crowd of people (**Matt. 27:39-44; Mark 16:29-32**). The chief priests, scribes and elders joined in mocking the Lord (**Matt. 27:40 – 43; Mark 16:31-32; Luke 23:35**). The soldiers also joined in the mocking, offering Him sour wine and telling Him to save Himself. If that is not enough, even the two who were crucified mocked Him (**Matt. 27:44; Mark 16:32**). An inscription was posted over Jesus, written in Greek, Latin and Hebrew, which read “THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.” One of the criminals continues to mock Jesus, but is rebuked by the other criminal, who has come to the realization that Jesus is who He said He is. Then this one says to Jesus, “**Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom**” (**Luke 23:42**). Jesus replies to him, “**Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise.**”

Prophecy & Fulfillment

The Messiah would be ridiculed.

Prophecy

Psalm 22:7 – 8 “All who see me ridicule Me; they shoot out the lip, they shake the head saying, he trusted and rolled himself on the Lord, that He would deliver him. Let him deliver him, seeing He delights in him!”

Psalm 42:10 “As with a breaking of my bones, my enemies reproach me, while they say to me all day long, ‘Where is your God?’”

Psalm 109:25 “I also have become a reproach to them; when they look at me, they shake their heads.”

Fulfillment

Matthew 27:29, 41, 43 "In the same way the chief priests with the scribes and elders made sport of him saying, He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if He cares for him and will have him, for He said, I am the son of God."

Matthew 27:39 – 40 "And those who passed by blasphemed Him, wagging their heads ⁴⁰and saying, 'You who destroy the temple and build it in three days, save Yourself! If You are the Son of God, come down from the cross.'"

Mark 15:17 – 18 "And they clothed Him with purple; and they twisted a crown of thorns, put it on His head, ¹⁸and began to salute Him, "Hail, King of the Jews!"

Mark 15:29 – 32 "And those who passed by blasphemed Him, wagging their heads and saying, "Aha! You who destroy the temple and build it in three days, ³⁰save Yourself, and come down from the cross!" ³¹Likewise the chief priests also, mocking among themselves with the scribes, said, "He saved others; Himself He cannot save. ³²Let the Christ, the King of Israel, descend now from the cross, that we may see and believe." Even those who were crucified with Him reviled Him.

Luke 23:35 – 39 "And the people stood looking on. But even the rulers with them sneered, saying, "He saved others; let Him save Himself if He is the Christ, the chosen of God." ³⁶The soldiers also mocked Him, coming and offering Him sour wine, ³⁷and saying, "If You are the King of the Jews, save Yourself." ³⁸And an inscription also was written over Him in letters of Greek, Latin, and Hebrew: THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS. ³⁹Then one of the criminals who were hanged blasphemed Him, saying, "If You are the Christ, save Yourself and us."

The Messiah would be stared at.**Prophecy**

Psalm 22:17 "I can count all My bones. They look and stare at Me."

Fulfillment

Luke 23:35 "And the people stood looking on. But even the rulers with them sneered, saying, "He saved others; let Him save Himself if He is the Christ, the chosen of God."

The Messiah's friends stand and watch from a distance.**Prophecy**

Psalm 38:11 "My loved ones and my friends stand aloof from my plague, and my relatives stand afar off."

Psalm 88:18 "Loved one and friend You have put far from me, and my acquaintances into darkness."

Fulfillment

Luke 23:49 "But all His acquaintances, and the women who followed Him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things."

The Messiah's bones are not broken.**Prophecy**

Exodus 12:46 "In one house it shall be eaten; you shall not carry any of the flesh outside the house, nor shall you break on of its bones."

Numbers 9:12 "They shall leave none of it until the morning, nor break one of its bones. According to all the ordinances of the Passover they shall keep it."

Psalm 34:19 – 20 "many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD delivers him out of them all. ²⁰He guards all his bones; Not one of them is broken."

Fulfillment

John 19:31 – 36 "Therefore, because it was the Preparation Day, that the bodies should not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken, and *that* they might be taken away. ³²Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who

was crucified with Him. ³³But when they came to Jesus and saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs. ³⁴But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out. ³⁵And he who has seen has testified, and his testimony is true; and he knows that he is telling the truth, so that you may believe. ³⁶For these things were done that the Scripture should be fulfilled, "*Not one of His bones shall be broken.*"