

ACTIONS OF PROOF

He Arose From the Prayer

to Prove His O_____ (Matt 26:36-46)

- The struggle in prayer – *Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from Me; yet not as I will but as You will.*
 1. Was NOT His human side struggling with the cross
 - a. We cannot say that His God-side was not struggling – Jesus is G_____ in the flesh (fully human and fully God yet one being)
 - b. Don't s_____ His humanity from His deity.
 2. Was NOT Jesus asking the Father to change the plan of salvation, since the ignores the previous words of Jesus
 - a. Matt 16:21-23 – He m_____ suffer and die and rise again and anyone opposing this plan is as S_____
 - b. Matt 20:28 – Jesus said He came to give His life as a r_____ payment for many.
 - c. Matt 26:2 – Jesus stated that after the P_____ He would be crucified.
 3. He WAS asking God for the timing of when to start His journey to the cross (remember He only did what the Father commanded – John 8:28)
 - a. He confessed that He did not w_____ to face suffering right then, but prayed, *not My will but Your will be done.*
 - b. He was praying to let this cup pass from Him for now, not f_____
 - c. In the third prayer session God revealed when to start the journey since Jesus said, *Behold the h_____ is at hand....*
- The journey to the cross – *He was obedient to the point of death* (Phil 2:8)
 1. Jesus let Himself be betrayed, arrested, tried, beaten, mocked, scourged and c_____.
 2. He had the power of _____ legions of angels (72,000) at His disposal (Matt 26:53) but He had to fulfill Isaiah 53:7

He Was Raised on the Cross

to Prove His L_____ (John 12:27-33)

- Jesus prophesied that by being “lifted up from the earth” He would draw all men to Himself (i.e. all classes of people)
 1. Verse 33 explains that the “lifting from the earth” indicated the kind of d_____ He would die (crucifixion)
 2. Those crucified were nailed to a cross in a horizontal position then raised to a v_____ position.
- Jesus was displayed on the cross for _____ hours (Mk 15:25,33)
 1. He was hung without c_____ (John 19:23 – they took off His outer clothing and His tunic, which was His inner clothing)
 2. His face was striped with blood from the crown of t_____
 3. His face was beaten beyond r_____ (Is 52:14)
 4. His back was s_____ (a whip with pieces of metal or bone attached to imbed and rip the flesh)
 5. Rom 5:8 – He demonstrated His l_____ for us
- At Jesus death
 1. The v_____ that guarded the entrance into the innermost sanctuary was ripped from top to bottom
 - a. The priests were in the process of the twice-daily s_____ (this was done outside the sanctuary, only the annual sacrifice was done inside and only by the High Priest)
 - b. Yoma 39b (Jewish Talmud) – records this event
 - c. God was declaring Jesus as our all sufficient sacrifice
- Remember Jesus' love and never doubt it

He Arose From the Grave

To Prove His I _____ (John 8:28,58)

- Jesus prophesied to the religious leaders: *when you lift up (i.e. crucify) the Son of Man then you will know that I Am*
 1. Most translations add to the text (I am *He*, or I am who I claim to be), but only “I am” is in the original Greek text.
 - a. They mis_____ Him to mean I am He.
 - b. Jesus meant to communicate His identity as the I Am of Ex 3:14 (Yahweh, God), which He finally got across in verse 58, for they picked up s_____ to throw at Him.
 2. They would “know” His identity as the I AM
 - a. The Greek word translated as “know” is NOT to know f_____ but to experience.
 - b. In the splitting of the veil, they realized in that experience that Jesus was the I AM
- How did the religious leaders respond after realizing that they had crucified the I AM? (Matt 27:63-66)
 1. They remembered that Jesus said that He would rise from the dead on the _____ day following His death.
 2. They asked the Roman governor, Pilate, to give them all resources to ensure that the body of Jesus stayed in the tomb.
 - a. A g_____, (four soldiers to guard the tomb).
 - b. A s_____, a royal wax impression positioned on the stone in such a way that it would break if the stone were moved. The penalty for breaking the seal was d_____
 - c. The stone that covered the entrance to the tomb was very l_____ - it was a rich man’s tomb (Is 53:9)
 - d. The body of Jesus was given a traditional Jewish burial, wrapped up in a mummy-like fashion with burial spices to delay the d_____ process (Jn 19:38-40)
- The efforts to keep Jesus in the tomb provided the evidence for the resurrection.
 1. The s_____ was rolled away
 2. The tomb contained the mummy-like wrappings, but no b_____ (if the body were stolen, they would not bother to unwrap the body there with the heavy guard and with the death penalty waving over them).
 3. Jesus gave many convincing p_____ of His resurrection (see Acts 1:3)
 - a. Thomas confessed Jesus as his L_____ and his G_____ after analyzing Jesus’ body (Jn 20:27,28)
 - b. Jesus gives a statement that applies to us – *Blessed are they who did not see yet believed*. Is Jesus your personal Lord and God?

***We don’t have just something to celebrate, we have someone to celebrate
Jesus, our God and our Savior!***