



Sorrow on the Cross

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33 And when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. 34 And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" 35 And some of the bystanders hearing it said, "Behold, he is calling Elijah."

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36 And someone ran and filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." 37 And Jesus uttered a loud cry and breathed his last. 38 And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom.

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39 And when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was the Son of God!"

For faith to flourish amidst suffering, one must first grasp the depths of Christ's suffering. Without this understanding, one's faith is too fragile to endure this world.

Sorrow of the Father

Mark 15:33

And when the sixth hour had come, **there was darkness over the whole** land until the ninth hour.

Luke 23:44-45

44 It was now about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour, 45 while **the sun's light failed**.

The darkness expressed God the Father mourning his only son.

Amos 8:9-10

“And on that day,” declares the Lord GOD, “I will make the **sun go down at noon** and **darken the earth in broad daylight**... I will make it like the **mourning for an only son**...”

Sorrow of the Son

Exodus 10:21

Then the LORD said to Moses, “Stretch out your hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, **a darkness to be felt**.”

Unnatural darkness not only signified God's sorrow, but also, God's judgement.

2 Corinthians 5:21

For our sake **he made him to be sin who knew no sin**, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Galatians 3:13

13 Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by **becoming a curse for us**—for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree”

Mark 15:34

And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, “Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?” which means, “**My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?**”

Mark 15:37-38

37 And Jesus uttered a loud cry and breathed his last. 38 And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom.

John 10:17-18

For this reason the Father loves me, because **I lay down my life that I may take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down...**

Mark 15:39

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As all others crucified
hung there against their will,
Jesus hung on that cross willingly.

Jesus could have saved himself, but he willingly
suffered and laid down his life for you.
This realization is where faith begins and grows.

