

*“Walking From The Cross”*

John 19:38-42

INTRO: It serves more than a marker between “B.C.” and “A.D.”; between Old Testament and New Testament; between law and grace; the cross is the dividing line of history and of mankind. Everything that went before pointed to it. Everything that has come since flows from it. That was especially true of that last week, the Passion or Holy week. We walked to the cross, and then stood at the foot of the cross. Today we begin the walk from it, a walk that leads out of this world!

I. HE HAS SUCCUMBED - Luke 23:46; Mark 15:43-45; John 10:17-18; 19:31-37

2. HE HAS BEEN SEALED - John 19:31-37; Matthew 27:57-66; Mark 16:1-3

3. HE HAS BEEN SET FREE - Mark 16:4-8; John 20:1-8; Matthew 28:11-15

4. HE HAS BEEN SEEN

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| (1) John 20:11-18; | (2) Matthew 28:1-10 | (3) Luke 24:13-35 |
| (4) Luke 24:36-45  | (5) John 20:19-25   | (6) John 20:26-31 |
| (7) John 21:1ff.   | (8) Acts 9:1-6      | (9) 1 Cor. 15:6   |

5. HE HAS SOARED

- (1) The Prophecy - John 6:60-62; 7:33-35; 14:12; 16:28
- (2) The Proclamation - Acts 1:9-11; Luke 24:50-53; 1 Timothy 3:16
- (3) The Profit - John 16:7; 14:1-6

6. HE HAS SAT DOWN - Hebrews 1:3; 10:9-18

7. HE HAS STOOD UP - Acts 7:55-56

- (1) Our Defender - Hebrews 4:14-16; 7:24-25; 1 John 2:1-2; Romans 8:34
- (2) Our Deliverer - 1 Thessalonians 1:10; 4:16

CONCL: Our reaction to the cross determines our eternity! Some ignore it or even despise it to their peril. But for those who embrace it, it brings life eternal.

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*“Hope For The Hurting”*

A Study Of 1 Peter

INTRO: Everywhere you look today you see people hurting. It is a part of our lives. Sometimes the hurt can lead to such despair. But it does not have to do so. Our heavenly Father, through his servant Peter, has given us all the coping devices one could ever need, not to mention many, many good reasons to rejoice instead!

I. THERE IS HOPE IN OUR SALVATION - 1 Peter 1:1-25

II. THERE IS HOPE IN OUR STANDING - 1 Peter 2:1-10

III. THERE IS HOPE IN OUR SUBMISSION - 1 Peter 2:11 - 3:12

IV. THERE IS HOPE IN OUR STAND - 1 Peter 3:13 - 4:6

V. THERE IS HOPE IN OUR SOON DEPARTURE - 4:7-19

1. The Imminency v. 7a

2. The Importance

(1) For Our Actions vv.7b-11

1a. We Must Think Sensibly v. 7b

2a. We Must Pray Watchfully v. 7c

3a. We Must Love Fervently vv. 8-9

1b. The Motive Of Our Love

2b. The Manner Of Our Love

4a. We Must Minister Exaltingly vv. 10-11

1b. The Divine Nature Of Such

2b. The Demand Of Such

3b. The Diversity Of Such

4b. The Design Of Such

CONCL: Dr. R. L. Matthews said it well, “If we knew better the character of God, we would not need the promises of God.” We have a Father we can trust, ***no matter what we face in life!***

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