

WHY – Part 2

LAST WORDS

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OUR MISSION...to see lives changed through a growing relationship with Jesus Christ.

WHY THE CRUCIFIXION MATTERS

1. "Father forgive them..." Luke 23:34 (NIV)

"All of us have sinned...yet God declares us 'not guilty' if we trust in Jesus Christ, who in mercy freely takes away our sins." Romans 3:23-24 (LB)

- God wants us to live guilt-free.

2. "I assure you, today you will be with me in paradise." Luke 23:43 (NLT)

"I have written this to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know you have eternal life." 1 John 5:13 (NLT)

- We can know we will live in Heaven forever.

3. "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?" Matthew 27:46 (NIV)

"God sent Jesus to take the punishment for our sins and to satisfy God's anger against us. We are made right with God when we believe that Jesus shed his blood, sacrificing his life for us." Romans 3:25

- Jesus took the punishment for our sins.

4. "It is finished!" John 19:30 (NIV)

- We can't work our way to Heaven.

5. I entrust My spirit into Your hands." Luke 23:46 (NLT)

"I am suffering here in prison. But I am not ashamed of it, for I know the One in whom I trust, and I am sure that He is able to guard what I have entrusted to Him until the day of His return." 2 Timothy 1:12 (NLT)

- You can trust God with every part of your life.

Talk It Over

1. Read Romans 3:23-24. Why does this verse matter?
2. Why is Salvation costly?
3. How does it affect you to know that Jesus took the punishment for your sins?
4. Read John 19:30. What does Jesus' statement in this verse mean for us today?
5. Heart Check: Do you trust God with every part of your life? What do you need to surrender to Him?