

Psalms 22:16-18 BSB For dogs surround me; a band of evil men encircles me; they have pierced my hands and feet. (17) I can count all my bones; they stare and gloat over me. (18) They divide my garments among them and cast lots for my clothing.

Psalms 22:7-8 BSB All who see me mock me; they sneer and shake their heads: (8) “He trusts in the LORD, let the LORD deliver him; let the LORD rescue him, since He delights in him.”

VAINLY THEY SEAL THE TOMB

(57) As evening approached, Joseph, a rich man from Arimathea who had become a follower of Jesus, (58) went to Pilate and asked for Jesus’ body. And Pilate issued an order to release it to him. (59) Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a long sheet of clean linen cloth. (60) He placed it in his own new tomb, which had been carved out of the rock. Then he rolled a great stone across the entrance and left. (61) Both Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were sitting across from the tomb and watching. (62) The next day, on the Sabbath, the leading priests and Pharisees went to see Pilate. (63) They told him, “Sir, we remember what that deceiver once said while he was still alive: ‘After three days I will rise from the dead.’ (64) So we request that you seal the tomb until the third day. This will prevent his disciples from coming and stealing his body and then telling everyone he was raised from the dead! If that happens, we’ll be worse off than we were at first.” (65) Pilate replied, “Take guards and secure it the best you can.” (66) So they sealed the tomb and posted guards to protect it.

Isaiah 53:9 NLT He had done no wrong and had never deceived anyone. But he was buried like a criminal; he was put in a rich man’s grave.

TAKE AWAYS...

REMORSE OR REPENTANCE

MORAL COURAGE

HYPOCRISY IS DEATH

GOD’S LIGHT IN THE DARKEST NIGHT

AWANA RETURNS! // Our AWANA club will be starting up on Wednesday, September 16th at 6:00 PM. We have something for young people of virtually every age. We will be focusing on learning Bible verses and their meaning for our lives and this year we will also be focused on why we believe the Bible and all that it teaches. All kids are invited to come and join our club this year.

**THIS WEEK AT
QUAIL LAKE CHURCH**

SEPT. 6 Sunday School // 9:00 AM // North House
SEPT. 6 Worship // 10:00 AM // Chapel
SEPT. 6 Fellowship // 11:15 AM

**UPCOMING EVENTS AT
QUAIL LAKE CHURCH**

OCT. 4 Car Show
OCT. 24 Journey to Bethlehem
NOV. 8 Fall Feast
DEC. 6 Fellowship
DEC. 24 Candlelight Service

**QUESTIONS or CONCERNS?
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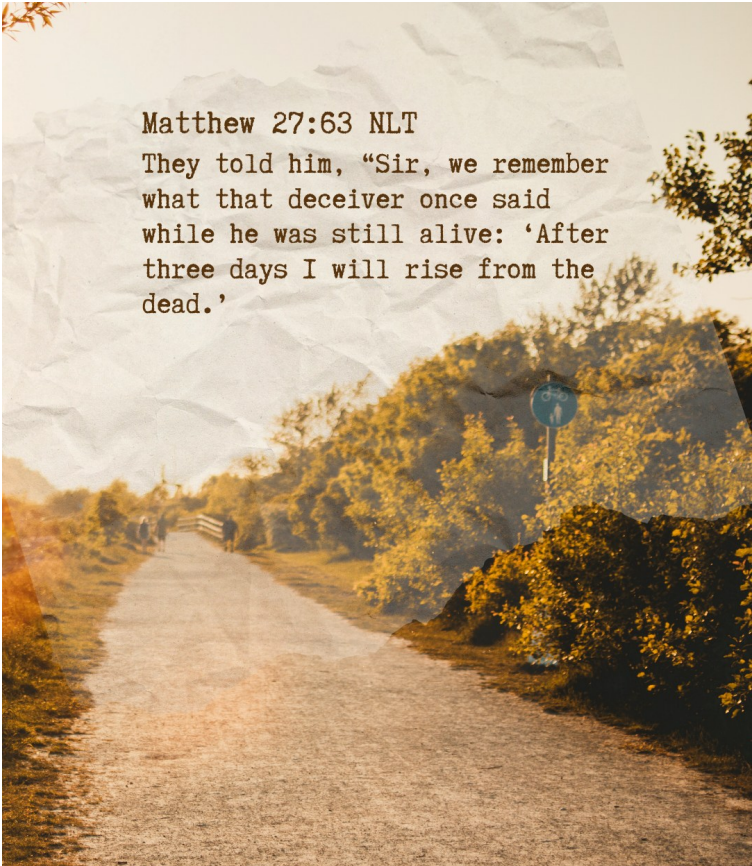
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Welcome to Quail Lake Community Church! We’re glad you’re here to worship with us today. Reach out to us if you have questions. We encourage you to visit our website at www.quaillakechurch.com, and find us on Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube, and download our app from the App Store to keep track of what’s happening at QLCC.

CONDEMNATION, COMPROMISE AND CRUCIFIXION Matthew 27:1-66 NLT

REMORSE

Very early in the morning the leading priests and the elders of the people met again to lay plans for putting Jesus to death. (2) Then they bound him, led him away, and took him to Pilate, the Roman governor. (3) When Judas, who had betrayed him, realized that Jesus had been condemned to die, he was filled with remorse. So he took the thirty pieces of silver back to the leading priests and the elders. (4) “I have sinned,” he declared, “for I have betrayed an innocent man.” “What do we care?” they retorted. “That’s your problem.” (5) Then Judas threw the silver coins down in the Temple and went out and hanged himself. (6) The leading priests picked up the coins. “It wouldn’t be right to put this money in the Temple treasury,” they said, “since it was payment for murder.” (7) After some discussion they finally decided to buy the potter’s field, and they made it into a cemetery for foreigners. (8) That is why the field is still called the Field of Blood. (9) This fulfilled the prophecy of Jeremiah that says, “They took the thirty pieces of silver—the price at which he was valued by the people of Israel, (10) and purchased the potter’s field, as the LORD directed.”

Zechariah 11:12-13 BSB Then I told them, “If it seems right to you, give me my wages; but if not, keep them.” So they weighed out my wages, thirty pieces of silver. (13) And the LORD said to me, “Throw it to the potter”—this magnificent price at which they valued me. So I took the thirty pieces of silver and threw them to the potter in the house of the LORD.

MORAL COWARDS

(11) Now Jesus was standing before Pilate, the Roman governor. “Are you the king of the Jews?” the governor asked him. Jesus replied, “You have said it.” (12) But when the leading priests and the elders made their accusations against him, Jesus remained silent. (13) “Don’t you hear all these charges they are bringing against you?” Pilate demanded. (14) But Jesus made no response to any of the charges, much to the governor’s surprise. (15) Now it was the governor’s custom each year during the Passover celebration to release one prisoner to the crowd—anyone they wanted.

(16) This year there was a notorious prisoner, a man named Barabbas. (17) As the crowds gathered before Pilate’s house that morning, he asked them, “Which one do you want me to release to you—Barabbas, or Jesus who is called the Messiah?” (18) (He knew very well that the religious leaders had arrested Jesus out of envy.) (19) Just then, as Pilate was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent him this message: “Leave that innocent man alone. I suffered through a terrible nightmare about him last night.” (20) Meanwhile, the leading priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas to be released and for Jesus to be put to death. (21) So the governor asked again, “Which of these two do you want me to release to you?” The crowd shouted back, “Barabbas!” (22) Pilate responded, “Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?” They shouted back, “Crucify him!” (23) “Why?” Pilate demanded. “What crime has he committed?” But the mob roared even louder, “Crucify him!” (24) Pilate saw that he wasn’t getting anywhere and that a riot was developing. So he sent for a bowl of water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, “I am innocent of this man’s blood. The responsibility is yours!” (25) And all the people yelled back, “We will take responsibility for his death—we and our children!”

THE DEPTH OF HEAVEN’S LOVE

(26) So Pilate released Barabbas to them. He ordered Jesus flogged with a lead-tipped whip, then turned him over to the Roman soldiers to be crucified. (27) Some of the governor’s soldiers took Jesus into their headquarters and called out the entire regiment. (28) They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him. (29) They wove thorn branches into a crown and put it on his head, and they placed a reed stick in his right hand as a scepter. Then they knelt before him in mockery and taunted, “Hail! King of the Jews!” (30) And they spit on him and grabbed the stick and struck him on the head with it. (31) When they were finally tired of mocking him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him again. Then they led him away to be crucified.

HOW THE WORLD WAS SAVED

(32) Along the way, they came across a man named Simon, who was from Cyrene, and the soldiers forced him to carry Jesus’ cross. (33) And they went out to a place called Golgotha (which means “Place of the Skull”). (34) The soldiers gave Jesus wine mixed with bitter gall, but when he had tasted it, he refused to drink it.

(35) After they had nailed him to the cross, the soldiers gambled for his clothes by throwing dice. (36) Then they sat around and kept guard as he hung there. (37) A sign was fastened above Jesus’ head, announcing the charge against him. It read: “This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.” (38) Two revolutionaries were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left. (39) The people passing by shouted abuse, shaking their heads in mockery. (40) “Look at you now!” they yelled at him. “You said you were going to destroy the Temple and rebuild it in three days. Well then, if you are the Son of God, save yourself and come down from the cross!” (41) The leading priests, the teachers of religious law, and the elders also mocked Jesus. (42) “He saved others,” they scoffed, “but he can’t save himself! So he is the King of Israel, is he? Let him come down from the cross right now, and we will believe in him! (43) He trusted God, so let God rescue him now if he wants him! For he said, ‘I am the Son of God.’” (44) Even the revolutionaries who were crucified with him ridiculed him in the same way. (45) At noon, darkness fell across the whole land until three o’clock. (46) At about three o’clock, Jesus called out with a loud voice, “Eli, Eli, *lema sabachthani*?” which means “My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?” (47) Some of the bystanders misunderstood and thought he was calling for the prophet Elijah. (48) One of them ran and filled a sponge with sour wine, holding it up to him on a reed stick so he could drink. (49) But the rest said, “Wait! Let’s see whether Elijah comes to save him.” (50) Then Jesus shouted out again, and he released his spirit. (51) At that moment the curtain in the sanctuary of the Temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, rocks split apart, (52) and tombs opened. The bodies of many godly men and women who had died were raised from the dead. (53) They left the cemetery after Jesus’ resurrection, went into the holy city of Jerusalem, and appeared to many people. (54) The Roman officer and the other soldiers at the crucifixion were terrified by the earthquake and all that had happened. They said, “This man truly was the Son of God!” (55) And many women who had come from Galilee with Jesus to care for him were watching from a distance. (56) Among them were Mary Magdalene, Mary (the mother of James and Joseph), and the mother of James and John, the sons of Zebedee.