

THE MEANING OF THE CROSS OF CHRIST



Isaiah 53 5-6
I Peter 2 24-25 & 3 18



Christ of St John of the Cross by Salvador Dali
 "Was it the nails O Saviour that held thee to the tree?
 Nay, 'twas thine everlasting love for me."
John 3 16



Cross of Lampedusa made out of driftwood from boats used by refugees from Africa. Many were drowned in the Mediterranean before arriving on the island.

Leviticus 19 34-35
Matthew 25 35-40



Alexamenos worships his God
 This Roman graffiti shows what the common people thought about Christianity.

I Corinthians 1 18



Capt Noel Chavasse VC
John 15 13
 but note what Paul says
Romans 5 10



Statue of Christ the King
Rio de Janeiro
Colossians 2 15
Revelation 17 14
Revelation 19 6

Isaiah 53 5-6

But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed. We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

I Peter 2 24-25

He himself bore our sins” in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; “by his wounds you have been healed.” For “you were like sheep going astray,” but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

1 Peter 3 18

For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God.

1 Corinthians 3 18

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

John 3 16

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 15 13

Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.

Romans 5 10

For if, while we were God’s enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!

Leviticus 19 34-35

“When a foreigner resides among you in your land, do not mistreat them. The foreigner residing among you must be treated as your native-born. Love them as yourself, for you were foreigners in Egypt. I am the Lord your God.

Matthew 25 35-40

For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’

“Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’

The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’

Colossians 2 15

And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross

Revelation 17 14

They will wage war against the Lamb, but the Lamb will triumph over them because he is Lord of lords and King of kings

Revelation 19 6

Then I heard what sounded like a great multitude, like the roar of rushing waters and like loud peals of thunder, shouting: “Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns.