

“CREED: I believe in Jesus Christ, Part 3”

Sunday, June 25, 2023, 10:30 a.m.

Whitneyville Bible Church, Alto, MI

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John 12:1-42

BIG IDEA: I believe: Jesus willingly died for our sins.

“Then [Pilate] handed Him over to be crucified.

Then they took Jesus away...

to what is called Place of the Skull...

There they crucified Him.”

John 19:16b, 17, 18a (CSB)



I believe Jesus’ death was the result of six unjust illegal trials.

- Three unjust illegal Jewish trials (Annas, Caiaphas, the Sanhedrin).
- Three unjust illegal Roman trials (Pontius Pilate, Herod, Pontius Pilate).



I believe Jesus’ death was an historical reality.

- Consider the procedure of the crucifixion.
- Consider the people of the crucifixion.



I believe Jesus’ death had purpose.

- I believe Jesus’ death brought glory to God, the Father.
- I believe Jesus’ death paid the price for our sin.

- I believe Jesus’ death satisfied God’s righteous wrath.
- I believe Jesus’ death gains us access to God.
- I believe Jesus’ death secures our eternal destiny.

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THINK: Contemplate the “kangaroo court” Jesus was put through, and then ask yourself the following questions: *When have you ever had to appear in court (witness, plaintiff, defendant)? What was it like? What impacts you the most as you ponder the trials Jesus endured? How do you explain Jesus’ willing submission to brutal torture and execution? Of the many “players” involved in the crucifixion of our Lord Jesus Christ, who surprises you the most? Who disappoints you the most? Who encourages you the most? Of the five purposes taught in this message about the death of Jesus Christ, which one(s) impress you the most? Why?*

DO: If you haven’t already, I implore you to BELIEVE in Jesus. If you already do believe in Jesus, express your praise and thanksgiving to Him for willingly dying for the sins of the world. Tell someone else about Jesus.