

## Part II: "Behold The King of Kings!"

John 19:16-35

Pilate Transfers The Power & Responsibility Of The Condemnation & Death Of Jesus  
Onto The Jews By Delivering Jesus Over To Them To Be Crucified!

Verse 16 – 18: So, Pilate handed Him over to them to be crucified. They took Jesus, & He went out, bearing His Own Cross, to the place called the "Place of a Skull", which is called in Hebrew, "Golgotha". There they crucified Him, & with Him two other men, one on either side, & Jesus in the middle.

4<sup>th</sup> Declaration Of Jesus As King

"Jesus of Nazareth the King of the Jews"

Verse 19: Pilate also wrote an inscription and put it on the cross.

It was written, "Jesus the Nazarene, the King of the Jews."

Pilate Chooses To Make A Further Commentary On The Condemnation & Death  
Of Jesus By Placing A "Titulus" Or "Sign" On Jesus' Cross.



Normally the prisoner wore a wooden sign around his/her neck proclaiming their offense or crime so that all could see why they were being punished. If crucifixion was the punishment the sign was only occasionally taken from around their neck and nailed above their head. However, most of the time the sign remained around their neck until the accused died on the cross. Further the sign was usually small in size about 1 foot by 1 foot in size and written in the common tongue of Aramaic or Greek only!

Notice in the case of Jesus, He does not wear a sign around His neck nor is He accused of any crime or offense to signify why He was receiving capital punishment by death! Further Jesus' sign is very large (probably about 3 feet in length by about 2 feet in width and is written in three different tongues: Greek, Hebrew, & Latin so that everyone could clearly read it, understand it & contemplate its full meaning!

Greek: ΟΥΤΟΣ ΕΣΤΙΝ Ὁ ΒΑΣΙΛΕΥΣ ΤΩΝ ἸΟΥΔΑΙΩΝ

Latin: IESUS NAZARENUS REX IUDÆORUM

Hebrew: יְהוֹשֻׁעַ בֶּן־נֹצְרִי מֶלֶךְ הַיְהוּדִים

English: This Is Jesus of Nazareth the King of the Jews

Nearly All Of The Jewish People Gathered From All Over The Known World Were In Jerusalem For Passover.  
Therefore, The Crucifixion Being Close To The City - Just Outside The Wall,  
They Were Able To See & Read The Sign!

Verse 20: Therefore many of the Jews read this inscription, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; & it was written in Hebrew, Latin & in Greek.

Once Again God's Sovereign Will & Word Goes Forth  
To The Whole World Declaring The Reality About His Only Son!

Q: "But Just How Was God's Truth Made Known By A Simple "Titulus" or "Sign"?"

A) This "Sign" Was No Mere "Sign"!

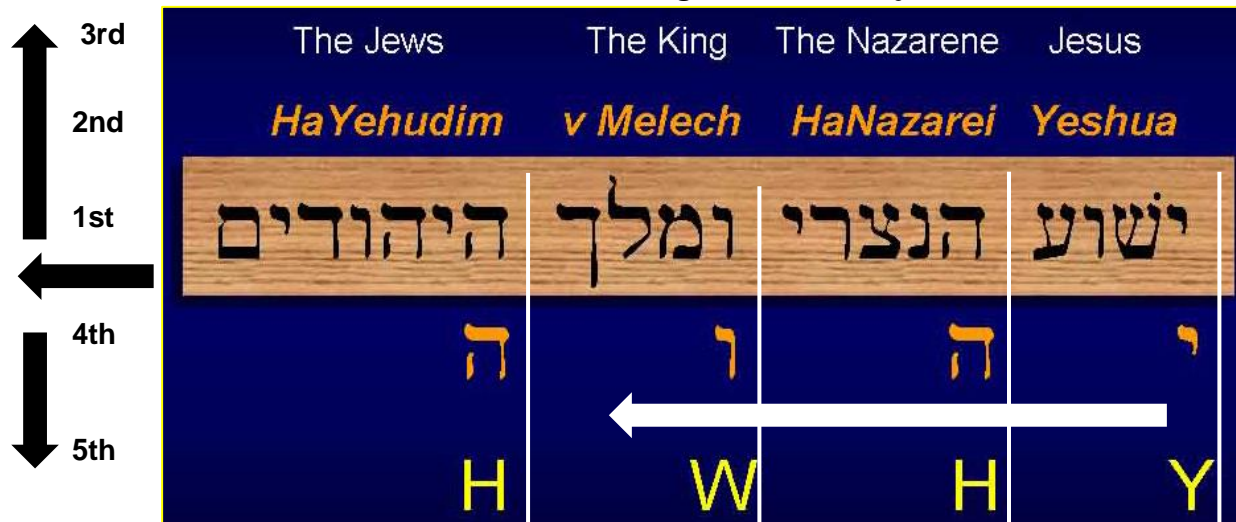
It Was A Divine "Sign"!

Ordained By God The Father

& Spoken By The Holy Spirit

& Written By The Hand Of A Pagan Man!

**“A Divine Sign – An Acronym”**



**“Remember Jews Read Right To Left – Not Left To Right!”**



**יְהוָה** in the Hebrew Language is **“YHWH”**

This is the Highest Holy Name for God in Judaism & is referred to as the **“Tetragrammaton”**. **“YHWH”** is 4 letters standing in the place of His Holiest Name, which may not be spoken, but only spelled with consonants - **“Yahweh”**

**“A Divine Sign”**

**Jesus Of Nazareth – King Of The Jews**

**Jesus Of Nazareth – Yahweh In The Flesh**

Immediately The Majority Of The Jewish Religious Leaders Complain To Pilate.

Unknowingly They Declare To The Reader Of John’s Gospel Once Again That Jesus Is King!

**5<sup>th</sup> Declaration Of Jesus As King**

**Verse 21:** So the chief priests of the Jews went and said to Pilate,

“Do not write, **‘The King of the Jews’**; but instead He claimed, **‘I AM King of the Jews.’**”

**Pilate’s Response Is A Direct Affirmation Of The Kingship Of Jesus!**

**6<sup>th</sup> Declaration Of Jesus As King**

**Verse 22:** Pilate answered, **“What I Have Written, I Have Written!”**

**Verses 23 – 25a:** Then the soldiers, when they had crucified **Jesus**, took **His** outer garments & made four parts, a part to every soldier & also the tunic; now the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece. So they said to one another, **“Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it, to decide whose it shall be”**; this was to fulfill the **Scripture**: **“They divided My outer garments among them, & for My clothing they cast lots.”** Therefore, the soldiers did these things.

As The Soldiers Divide Up Jesus' Clothes & For His Vesture Or Tunic They Cast Lots (Dice);  
Unknowingly The Soldiers Fulfill An Ancient Scripture About Jesus Crucifixion & Death!

*"They divided My garments among them, & for My clothing they cast lots."* Psalm 22:18 (NKJV)

Verses 25b: Now standing by the cross of Jesus were His Mother (Mary), & His Mother's Sister,  
Mary the Wife of Clopas, & Mary Magdalene.

This Passage Identifies The Mourners As Four Women & These Will Again Be Mentioned  
As The Faithful Women Who Attend To His Body In The Tomb On Sunday After His Death,  
Where They Will Be The First To Be Witnesses To His Resurrection From The Dead!

- 1) Jesus' Mother – Mary
- 2) His Mother's Sister – Salome
- 3) Mary The Wife of Clopas – Mother of James & Joses
- 4) Mary Magdalene

The Purpose Of This Next Identification Tells Us One Man  
Also Stood By, The *"Disciple Whom Jesus Loved"*

Verse 26a: When Jesus then saw His Mother, and *'the Disciple whom He loved'* standing nearby ...

**Q:** *"Who Is The Disciple Whom Jesus Loved?"*

**A:** He Is Always Associated With *"The Other Disciple"*  
Or *"That Disciple"*, & He Is Always A *"Mystery Disciple"*

This Disciple Is Mentioned Only Seven Times In The Entire New Testament!

All Seven Of Them Are Only Found In John's Gospel:

1:35-39, 11:36, 13:23, 18:15-16, 19:26-27, 20:2-4 & 8, 21:1, 7, & 20-23

*"I Personally Believe That It Is Very Possible That John's Gospel  
Is In Fact A Product Of A 3-Fold Successive Disclosure!"*

Thesis On The 3-Fold Disclosure Of The Gospel Of John

- 1) As The Father Disclosed His Love & Salvation To His Beloved Son, Jesus Christ,
- 2) So, Jesus Christ Disclosed His Father's Love & Salvation  
To His *"Beloved Disciple"* & *"Another Disciple"*
- 3) The *"Beloved Disciple"* (Lazarus) & The Apostle John,  
Co-Disclosed The 'Good News' To All Of Us, In This Gospel, Named After The Apostle John.
- 4) So That Leads Me To Eight Specific Conclusions That Were Purposefully Designed Into  
The Structural Outline & Writing Of The Gospel With The Prologue (First 18 Verses)  
Serving As An Outline For Every Chapter That Follows.

Major Conclusions On Thesis Of A 3-Fold Disclosure

- 1) I Believe John Co-Wrote The Entire Gospel With The Help Of Lazarus
- 2) Lazarus Is Being Mentioned Wherever One Reads:  
*"Another Disciple"*, *"That Disciple"*, & *"The Disciple Whom Jesus Loved"*
- 3) Lazarus Wrote The Prologue To The Gospel 1:1-18 As An Outline For The Entire Gospel
- 4) We Encounter Lazarus In Chapter 1 & Chapters 11 – 21
- 5) We Encounter John The Apostle In Chapters 2 – 21
- 6) We Never Encounter John By Name Other Than As A *"Son Of Zebedee"*
- 7) John Is The Writer Of The First Conclusion To The Gospel 20:30-31
- 8) Lazarus Is The Writer Of The Second & Final Conclusion To The Gospel 21:24-25

**Jesus As The Oldest Son According To Judaic Law As The Head Of The House**

**With His Father Deceased Desired To Take Care Of His Mother Before Departing This World!**

**Verse 26b – 27:** He said to His Mother, “*Woman, behold Your Son!*” Then He said to ‘*the Disciple*’ (whom He loved), “*Behold Your Mother!*” And from that hour ‘*that Disciple*’ (whom He loved) took her into his own home.

**Jesus Fulfills Prophecy From The Psalms Of David By Asking For A Drink**

**In His Insatiable Thirst Caused By Extreme Hypovolemic Shock (Huge Blood Volume Loss)!**

**Verses 28 – 30a:** After this, Jesus, knowing that all things had already been accomplished, to fulfill the Scripture, said, “*I Thirst!*” A jar full of sour wine was standing there; so they put a sponge full of the sour wine upon a branch of hyssop & raised it up to His mouth. Therefore, when Jesus had received the sour wine, ...

*“I am poured out like water, & all My bones are out of joint; My heart is like wax; it has melted within Me. My strength is dried up like a potsherd, & My tongue clings to My jaws; You have brought Me to the dust of death.”*

**Psalm 22:14-15 (NASB)**

*“They also gave Me gall for my food, & for My thirst they gave me vinegar to drink.”*

**Psalm 69:21(NKJV)**

**Verse 30b:** “*It Is Finished!*” And He bowed His head and gave up His Spirit!

**Jesus Declares He Has Completed His Father’s Mission Meaning Exactly This In The Greek:**

*“I Have Now Perfectly Completed The Mission You Gave Me Father For All Time!”*

**Q:** “*What Does It Mean To Me “It Is Finished?”*”

**A:** Forgiven & Loved Forever With **#GodsLove**

**A:** Where There Seemed To Be No Way,  
**#GodsWay** Was Through His Son, Jesus Christ,

**A:** He Is

*“The Way, & The Truth, & The Life”*

For Me

**A:** Equality & Justice For Me Is Not Based On My Actions & Attitudes,

Which Would Mean Death For All My Sins,

But **#GodsJustice** Was For His Son,

Jesus Christ To Suffer & Die In My Place!

**A:** I Was Trying To Establish My Kingdom For Myself,

But Now I Am Part Of Building **#GodsKingdom**

For Everyone To Be A Part Of!

**Q:** “*Who Is Jesus of Nazareth To Everyone Around Me?”*”

**A:** “*I Do Not Know?”*”

Or

**A:** “*I Am Not Sure What I Believe!*”

**A:** “Do Not Say He Is, ‘The King Of All Of Us’;

But Say Instead He Merely Claimed, ‘I AM God Your King!’””

**Q:** “*How Do I Live My Life Today*

*In Light Of My Convictions Concerning Jesus Christ?”*”

**A:** “What I Have Believed I Have Written For All Eternity

Indelibly On My Heart, Mind, & Soul!””

**A:** “I Will Live What I Believe For The Glory Of My King!”