



## Part 8: *The Death of Innocence*

### INTRODUCTION – The Politics of Crucifixion

Ephesians 2:14-15  
Deuteronomy 21:22-23

### Analyzing The Crime Scene

Matthew 27:26-66; Mark 15:15-47; Luke 23:26-56; John 19:1-2, 16-42

*THE PHYSICAL SUFFERING...*

Zechariah 12:10

*THE EMOTIONAL AGONY...*

2 Corinthians 5:21

What makes the God of Christianity different: his \_\_\_\_\_.

TAKE OUT: Jesus does \_\_\_\_\_ your deepest pain.

*THE REACTIONS TO JESUS...*

TAKE OUT: We must respond to Christ as \_\_\_\_\_, willing to leave the crowd before joining community.

*ASPECTS OF ENTERING THE KINGDOM...*

- A \_\_\_\_\_ your need.  
C \_\_\_\_\_ his perfection.  
T \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus as your only hope.

### Three Cosmic Accomplishments

- #1. The passing over of God's \_\_\_\_\_ on his people.
- #2. The achievement of eternal \_\_\_\_\_ for God's people.
- #3. The end of \_\_\_\_\_ as the way to God.

Hebrews 4:16; 6:19-20; 9:11-28; 10:19-22

TAKE OUT: No \_\_\_\_\_ system is the way to God, so what is your hope of eternal \_\_\_\_\_ and spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ based on?

### CONCLUSION – Now It's Your Turn

Luke 9:23-25  
1 Corinthians 15:31

### HOME CHURCH QUESTIONS...

WARMING UP...

1. After briefly reviewing this week's message, share one thing that most challenged, convicted, or encouraged you.

LOOK TO THE BOOK...

2. Read the following two Old Testament messianic passages: **Psalm 22 & Isaiah 52:13-53:12**. a) What is your favourite verse among these two passages? Why? b) For each passage make a list of the allusions to Jesus that you see in the text. c) If someone is currently going through a difficult time in their life, what verses might be encouraging to them? d) If someone you knew was wrestling with guilt, what verses would you direct them to? e) If you were a religious Jew at the time of Jesus, do you think you would have predicted in advance that the Messiah would come to suffer and die to bring spiritual freedom? f) What value is prophecy if it is not clear enough for everyone to predict the future? (See Jesus' words in **John 13:19**.) What lesson is there in this for how Christians should use Bible prophecy today?

SO WHAT?...

3. Remember our calling to follow Jesus to crucifixion in **Luke 9:23-25**. How "dead" are you, according to **Romans 8:13 & Colossians 3:5**? What areas of your life seem hardest to put to death? What could you do to assist in the execution? Pray for each other regarding this.

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