

Good Friday 1997
Matthew 27:27-54

*Last Night My Daughter asked me...
Why's tomorrow Called "Good Friday?"*

Good Question!

*Earlier Jesus recieved the questions of someone
who was intrested in eternal life*

Matt 19:17

*So He said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that
is, God"*

God is the Only One that is Good says Jesus

**(and Just as God be with Ye has been changed to Goodbye
God's Morning to Ye is now Good Morning,
so has God's Friday been altered to good Friday)**

**ASHLEY'S RESPONSE BACK WAS,
"Yeah and some people have even put an 'X' in Christmass"
X-ing Out Christ**

Turn to Matthew 27:27-54

The Crucifixion of the Son of God:

a.) the Preliminaries to the Cross vv. 27-31

At His Arrest:

Luke 22:53

Every day I was with you in the temple courts, and you did not lay a hand on me. But this is your hour-- when darkness reigns." (NIV)

MAN'S TRUE NATURE

IS REPRESENTED IN THESE PEOPLE,
IN THE EVENTS OF THE SHADOW OF THE CROSS!

Matt 27:29

When they had twisted a crown of thorns, they put it on His head, and a reed in His right hand. And they bowed the knee before Him and mocked Him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!..."

THEN THEY BAPTIZED JESUS

Matt 27:30

Then they spat on Him, and took the reed and struck Him on the head. (NKJ)

BUT THIS IS HOW GOD WAS
DESIRING SPEND HIS FRIDAY

b.) the Place of the Cross vv. 32-36

"...as they came out"

that is, that they had just come from the fortruss Antonia and now passing out of the "sheep gate" that is to the north, toward the Calvary.

"The Sheep Gate"

John 5:2

Now there is in Jerusalem by **the Sheep Gate**
the pool of Bethesda, having five porches.

It was that place where the sacrificial lambs were gathered
through for inspection by the priests prior to their death

Those sheep would have seen Jesus Passing By...

Heading for the Alter
that was Ordained By God in Genesis

Gen 22:7

But Isaac spoke to Abraham his father and said, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." Then he said, "Look, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a **burnt offering**?" :8 And Abraham said, "My son, God will provide for Himself the lamb for a burnt offering." So the two of them went together. :9 Then they came to the place of which God had told him. And Abraham built an altar there and placed the wood in order; and he bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, upon the wood.

God Had Ordained the Place:

Gen 22:2

And He said, "Take now your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go **to the land of Moriah**, and offer him there as a **burnt offering**
((((on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you.))))))

Abraham was a man of Faith, God's Friend...

Gen 22:5

And Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the lad and I will go yonder and worship, and we will come back to you."

In Synagogues around the world and in Jerusalem
the Shofar (**RAMS HORN**) is blown to announce that GOD HAD SUPPLIED
THE SACRIFICE. A MALE, SHEEP - THE RAM

BUT THIS IS HOW GOD WAS DESIRING SPEND HIS FRIDAY

c.) the problem **with the cross vv. 37-44**

Matt 27:42a

"He saved others;

YES HE DID...

Matt 27:42b

Himself He cannot save.

NO HE WOULDNT...

Matt 27:42c

If He is the King of Israel, let Him now come down from the cross,
and we will believe Him.

YES HE IS AND NO THEY WOULDNT

REJECTION IS HOW GOD WAS DESIRING SPEND HIS FRIDAY

d.) the plan **for the Cross vv. 45-54**

Eph 2:14

For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, :15 having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, :16 and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. :17 And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near.

Phil 2:6

Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, :7 but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. :8 And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death-- even death on a cross!

John 3:16

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever **believes** in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

**BUT THIS IS HOW GOD WAS
DESIRING SPEND HIS FRIDAY**

*at 3:00 pm on Friday,
The Cross had Been Very Successful*

*Successful Enough to have
Killed the One who had Raised the Dead*

Col 2:11

In him you were also circumcised, in the putting off of the sinful nature, not with a circumcision done by the hands of men but with the circumcision done by Christ. .12 having been buried with him in baptism and raised with him through your faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. .13 When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your sinful nature, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins. .14 having canceled the written code, with its regulations, that was against us and that stood opposed to us; he took it away, nailing it to the cross.

*Successful Enough to have
to still the body that was constantly
labouring for others*

*Successful Enough to have
Met the Requirements of God's Judgment upon the
world for all sin*

*Successful Enough to have
Provided the one and only way to God and Heaven*

and with a word it was so...

*Jesus Used One Word to Put an End to your Sins
ONE WORD*

*By One Act of total submission
By One Will being completely Obediant
By One Offering forever cancelling sins dominion of us*