

Mount Calvary

The image features three black silhouettes of crosses standing on a dark, rounded hill. The background is a dramatic sky at sunset or sunrise, with a bright sun partially obscured by clouds, creating a golden glow. The sky transitions from a deep blue on the left to a bright orange and yellow near the sun, and back to a darker blue on the right. The crosses are positioned in a row, with the central one being the tallest and having a small cross on top of its vertical post.

Luke 23:33-43

Summary of Today's Message

In a very real sense, the whole story of life is acted out in history on Mount Calvary. It was here, on what we refer to as Good Friday, that Jesus was crucified between two thieves. We learn from them that the way in which people respond to the message of the Cross determines their eternity for all of eternity.

Where was Jesus Crucified?

The historical one- the church of the holy sepulcher

Gordon's Calvary-the place of the skull

Mount Calvary is the highest point in all of history, not geographically but spiritually.

Three Wooden Crosses

There are three men on three crosses and all three are dying

The cross is the symbol of Christianity

The cross on the left is called the cross of rejection

The cross on the right is called the cross of repentance

The cross in the middle is called the cross of redemption

Only Luke uses the name Calvary others refer to

Golgotha, the place of the skull

The Cross on the Left

The Cross on the Left is Called the Cross of Rejection

We learn how easy it is to make a mistake

God is nonnegotiable

The phrase “Save yourself is used three times

Jesus could have called 10,000 angels physically

We need to pray with great authority and assurance

“Thy will be done”

The Cross on the Right is Called the Cross of Repentance

The hardest confession to make is, “I am getting what I
deserve”

There is the law of sowing and reaping

Hinduism-the Karma-good equals good, evil equals evil

Islam -the Quran- same thing, you sow you reap

Judaism-that which you sow you also reap

The Cross on the Right is Called the Cross of Repentance

The thief on the right said, “Remember me when you
come into your Kingdom

We call this the 11th hour or the 59-minute conversion

This thief heard Jesus say, “Father forgive them for they
know not what they do.”

The Middle Cross is the Cross of Redemption

The great exchange took place at Calvary

For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin;
that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

II Corinthians 5:21

Because of the Cross, Death is no longer our enemy but
our friend

The Middle Cross is the Cross of Redemption

Death is not darkness rather it is a descension into light

Death is a journey into light

The Middle Cross is the Cross of Redemption

1 Corinthians 15:55-57 King James Version (KJV)

O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy
victory?

The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the
law.

But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through
our Lord Jesus Christ.