

Theme: Christ's actions during Holy Week - His death, burial, and bodily resurrection, bring salvation to all who truly believe.

## I. Intro – Holy Week - Center of Faith

- A. Christian all over world observed Holy Week
- B. We had Good Friday, Sunday meetings
- C. What is Holy Week about?
- D. Why is it important?
- E. What is the Good News of this week?

## II. Holy Week and the Gospel

- A. Paul reminds them of the Gospel he taught
  - 1. This is the content of his Gospel (v1)
  - 2. This is what early Christians received (v1)
  - 3. This is what early Christians held on to (v1)
- B. This is the only Gospel - all other is false
  - 1. This Gospel has power to save (v2)
  - 2. All others Gospels can not save (v2)
  - 3. The primacy of the Gospel (v3)
  - 4. We must hold to the true Gospel

## III. The Events of Holy Week

- A. The death of Christ for our sins

- 1. Christ died for our sins (v3)
- 2. Paid price for our sins (Is 53:5; 1 Pet 2:24)
- 3. In death He bore God's wrath for us!
- 4. This fulfilled Scripture (v3; Lk 24:46-47)
- 5. This was no mistake - God's eternal plan

### B. Christ's burial - tasting death for all

- 1. He was buried (v3)
- 2. Certainly included for evidence of real death
- 3. Show Christ tasted death for us (Heb 2:9)

### C. Christ's bodily resurrection - conquering death

- 1. He was raised from the dead (v4)
- 2. According to Scripture (v4; Acts 2:31)
- 3. Bodily - Scripture (Acts 2:31; Gnostics; skeptics)
- 4. Seen by witnesses (v5-8; Acts 2:32)
- 5. He has conquered death!

## IV. Applying the Word

A. Do we have faith in the Good News of Holy Week?

1. Judith Warner - celebrate but not believe  
Passover & Easter
2. This is not Gospel - it is real facts, real history
3. Gospel says if not real history - no value at all
4. It calls for real faith in real events, real Person
5. He offers life to us - if we believe

B. Do we give thanks to God for Good News of Holy Week?

1. We were sinful - Christ has died!
2. We were slaves to death - He has conquered!
3. Give thanks to Him for life!

### The Good News of Holy Week

1 Corinthians 15:1-5

Luke 24:1-8

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Hebrews 13:20-21

5 But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed.

Isaiah 53:5

24 He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.

1 Peter 2:24

46 He told them, "This is what is written: The Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, 47 and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

Luke 24:46-47

9 But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because he suffered death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

Hebrews 2:9

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32 God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of the fact.

Acts 2:32