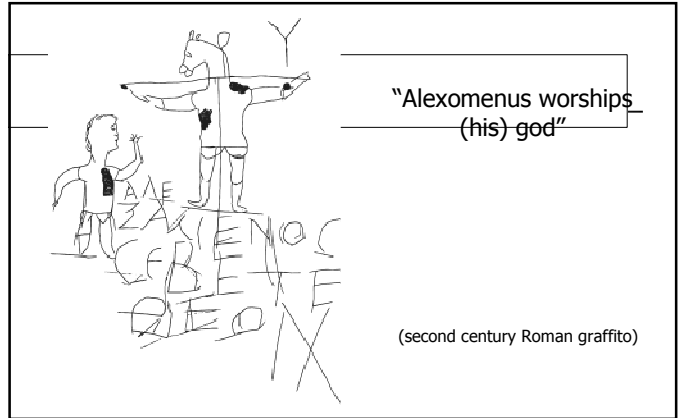




## The Gospel of Matthew

### “The Crucifixion of Jesus” (pt 2) Matthew 27:33-50



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And when they came to a place called Golgotha, which means Place of a Skull, they gave Him wine to drink mixed with gall; and after tasting it, He was unwilling to drink.

And when they had crucified Him, they divided up His garments among themselves by casting lots.

And sitting down, they *began* to keep watch over Him there. And above His head they put up the charge against Him which read, “THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS.”

At that time two robbers were crucified with Him, one on the right and one on the left.

And those passing by were hurling abuse at Him, wagging their heads and saying, “You who *are going to* destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save Yourself! If You are the Son of God, come down from the cross.”

In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking Him and saying,

“He saved others; He cannot save Himself. He is the King of Israel; let Him now come down from the cross, and we will believe in Him.

HE TRUSTS IN GOD; LET GOD RESCUE Him now, IF HE DELIGHTS IN HIM; for He said, ‘I am the Son of God.’”

The robbers who had been crucified with Him were also insulting Him with the same words.

Now from the sixth hour darkness fell upon all the land until the ninth hour.

About the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, “ELI, ELI, LAMA SABACHTHANI?” that is, “MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAVE YOU FORSAKEN ME?”

And some of those who were standing there, when they heard it, began saying, “This man is calling for Elijah.”

Immediately one of them ran, and taking a sponge, he filled it with sour wine and put it on a reed, and gave Him a drink.

But the rest of them said, “Let us see whether Elijah will come to save Him.”

And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice, and yielded up His spirit.



## Crucifixion of Jesus

### The fulfillment of Scripture

- *the righteous sufferer who is mocked for his trust in God who, it seems, will not respond to his devotion with deliverance*



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### The fulfillment of Scripture

- allusion to Psalm 69:21 (v34, v48) – the righteous sufferer (David) who is ill-treated because of his loyalty to God
- references to Psalm 22 (v35, v39, v43, v46) – the righteous sufferer who feels forsaken by God



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### Psalm 22

#### 1. The Lament

- David feels less than human because of his suffering and the mocking he endures
- David uses poetic hyperbole to describe the intensity of his pain and suffering (e.g. *"pierced my hands and my feet"*)



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### Psalm 22

#### 1. The Lament

- David's words become an exact description of Jesus' suffering on the cross!



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### Psalm 22

#### 2. Introductory Cry

- David feels abandoned by God with no deliverance in sight (God is silent)
- this is the cry of a righteous sufferer from a posture of trust not an absence of faith

*This cry is more essentially the cry of Jesus*



## Crucifixion of Jesus

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### His Cry of Anguish

#### 1. He experienced abandonment by God

Q: *Why?*

- "He became sin" – He experienced the judicial wrath of God for our sin (2 Cor. 5:21)
- His feeling of being forsaken was not merely a perception but a reality



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### His Cry of Anguish

#### 1. He experienced abandonment by God

Q: *What?*

- all the comforts of the Father's love were beyond His reach
- all the terrors of the Father's judgment were poured out on Him



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### His Cry of Anguish

2. He expressed His trust in God

- “My God...” – a cry of anguish not from a lack of faith but from a heart of trust
- He endured being forsaken by God by trusting in God