Words From the Cross pt 5

Seven saying are recorded in the Gospels that Jesus said on the cross. Let's examine what was written for us as Jesus was being crucified:

3 sayings come from the Gospel of Luke. 3 sayings come from the Gospel of John. 1 is repeated in Matthew & Mark.

Since asphyxia, or being unable to breathe, is a result of being crucified, it took great effort to speak. Jesus thought these things were essential to say and the Holy Spirit considered them essential to record for us to know and when we put them in order, they give us a message.

1. FORGIVENESS IS FOREMOST - Luke 23:34

2. PARADISE IS PROMISED - Luke 23:43.

3. A NEW MOTHER IS GIVEN - John 19:23.

4. GOD'S PROPHECY IS FULFILLED - Matthew 27:46 Mark 15:34

5. GOD'S VENGEANCE IS PROMISED - John 19:28

28 After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), "I thirst." 29 A jar full of sour wine stood there, so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to his mouth.

<u>Matt. 27:48 And one of them at once ran and took a sponge, filled it with sour wine, and put it on a reed and gave it to</u> <u>him to drink. 49 But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him."</u> Immediately after PSALM 22!

Mark 15:36 And someone ran and filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down."

- 1. Immediately after naming title of Psalm 22
- Jesus had refused the sour wine hours ago. Matt. 27:33 And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull)34 they offered him <u>wine(oinos)</u> to drink, mixed with gall, but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. <u>Mark 15:22</u> And they brought him to the place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull). 23 And they offered him <u>wine(oinos)</u> mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it. <u>Luke 23:36</u> The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him <u>sour wine(oxos)</u> 37 and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!"
- 3. Jesus, now at the end, <u>called for the sour wine</u> TO FULFILL SCRIPTURE. <u>What Scripture</u>? <u>Sour wine (oxos) is a mixture of soured wine and vinegar</u> Turn to <u>Psalm 69</u>
- Notice: <u>4</u> More in number than the hairs of my head are those who hate me without cause; mighty are those who would destroy me, those who attack me with lies.
 - 7 For it is for your sake that I have borne reproach, that dishonor has covered my face. 8 I have become ha stranger to my brothers, an alien to my mother's sons.
 - <u>19</u> You know my reproach and my shame and my dishonor; All my adversaries are before You. 20 Reproach has broken my heart and I am so sick. And I looked for sympathy, but there was none, And for comforters, but I found none. 21 They also gave me gall for my food And for my thirst they gave me <u>vinegar</u> to drink.
- <u>As in Psalm 22</u>, Jesus is showing everyone the HE is <u>fulfilling all Scripture</u> and pointing to <u>the PROMISE</u> given to those that hate God's Servant & attack God's Servant with lies & treat Him as a stranger and alien and give Him vinegar to drink.

The Promise to all who reject & persecute God's Son:

- 22 May their table before them become a snare; And when they are in peace, may it become a trap.
- 23 May their eyes grow dim so that they cannot see, And make their loins shake continually.
- 24 Pour out Your indignation on them, And may Your burning anger overtake them.
- 25 May their camp be desolate; May none dwell in their tents.
- 26 For they have persecuted him whom You Yourself have smitten, And they tell of the pain of those whom You have wounded. (*they strike Him & mock Him*)
- 27 Add iniquity to their iniquity, And may they not come into Your righteousness.
- 28 May they be blotted out of the book of life (*they were IN the Book of Life!!*)
- And may they not be recorded with the righteous.

With the words, "I Thirst" and the response of source wine with vinegar, Jesus let all know what God's vengeance would be.

In 70AD, every promise was fulfilled on all who rejected & mocked God's Servant. What about those doing this today?
After confirming God's vengeance on those who refuse God's Word, Jesus, being cursed by Deu. 21:23, places <u>all trust</u> in God:
Luke 23:46 Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, "Father, pinto your hands I commit my spirit!"

Another quote! next week!