

Jesus Crucified – the Symbolism

John 19:17-37

- Woven tunic not torn (Psalm 22:18)
 - High Priest garment (Exodus 28:31-32)
 - Shall not tear his clothes (Leviticus 21:10)
- “I am thirsty”
 - A branch of hyssop? (Cf Exodus 22:12)
 - For cleansing (Leviticus 14:4; Numbers 19:2-6)
 - Psalm 51:7 “Cleanse me with hyssop” – David
- “It is finished”
 - Psalm 22:27-31

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- Legs not broken (19:31-37)
 - The primary symbol – the Passover Lamb
 - Number 9:11-12 (cf. Exodus 12:46)
 - Not left until morning or bones broken
 - The righteous sufferer (Psalm 34:20)
 - “Them” and “Him” in verses 15-22
 - Other references to bones
 - Breaking bones (unrighteous) – Num. 24:8; Psalm 53:5
 - Restoring life to bones (Ezekiel 37)

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- Side pierced (19:33-37)
 - Zechariah 12 (verse 10 quoted in John 19:37)
 - Context
 - God to save Judah (v.7), destroy enemies (v.2,9)
 - Verse 10
 - God Himself will pour out grace and mercy
 - They will look on ME whom they have pierced
 - They will mourn bitterly
 - What happened on the day of Pentecost?
 - Acts 2:37 “Pierced to the heart”
 - Zechariah 13:1 – Grace for sin and impurity

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John Believes

John 20:1-10

- First day of the week
 - The women came to finish the burial
- No understanding of the resurrection
 - “They have taken away the Lord”
- Not a body that has been stolen
 - Linen wrappings would not have been removed
 - Face cloth rolled up by itself
- “They did not understand the Scripture”

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*Manifestation to
Mary*

John 20:11-18

- A Changing of Relationship?
 - “Go to My brethren...”
 - Compare with John 13:16; 15:15,20
 - Hebrews 2:9-18
 - “My Father and your Father”
 - Compare with John 1:12
- What is the significance of Mary in this story?

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Manifestation to 10 Disciples

John 20:19-23

- “Peace be with you”
- “As the Father has sent me, I also send you.”
 - Breathed on them
 - Cf. Gen. 2:7; Ezek. 37 – A giving of life
 - Forgiveness of sins (cf. Matthew 16:18-19; 18:15ff)
 - According to what has already been bound
 - The judgment was God’s (Mark 2:7; I John 1:9)
 - They needed the Holy Spirit for this

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Manifestation to Thomas

John 20:24-29

- “Do not be unbelieving, but believing”
- “Blessed are they who did not see, and yet believed.”
- Belief in Jesus
 - Comes from understanding the Scriptures (v. 9)
 - Rom. 10:17 - Faith comes from hearing the Word of God
 - Hebrews 11:1 – Faith is the conviction of things not seen
 - The point of everything – Verse 30-31

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