



**A.M. Bible Study**  
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**THE CRUCIFIXION OF CHRIST**

The Crucifixion was a Roman method of execution reserved for criminals, rebels, and slaves. It was intentionally brutal, public, and humiliating designed to deter rebellion and assert imperial authority. Death came slowly through shock, blood-loss, and dehydration. The crucifixion for the most part was for the worst of the worst. The crucifixion was intended to keep slaves obedient to their master.

When people live according to the world's standard and not God's; that is a rebellion against a Holy God, which is considered sin. *Romans 6:23a*

Men take sin lightly; but God takes sin seriously. Sin causes death physically and spiritually which separates us from God.

**A. Why Was Jesus Crucified?**

1. According to God's Redemptive plan. *Acts 2:23*
2. For the sins of humanity. *Isaiah 53:5-6*
3. To fulfill Scripture. *Psalms 22*

**B. Key Events of The Crucifixion**

1. The trial and condemnation – Jesus was falsely accused, unjustly tried and condemned despite Pilate's acknowledgement of His innocence.
2. The mocking and scourging – Roman Soldiers mocked Jesus as King, crowned Him with thorns, and scourged Him severely and struck Him with their hands. *John 19:1-3*
3. The journey to Golgotha – known as the place of the skull because the hill where Jesus was crucified likely resembled a skull due to its rock formations. He was weakened from scourging: Jesus carried His cross until Simon of Cyrene was compelled to help. *Luke 23:26*
4. The Crucifixion – Jesus was nailed to the cross between two criminals, identifying fully with sinners. *Luke 23:32-33*
5. Jesus was one without sin.
6. Angels could have defended Jesus.
7. What sin in our lives keeps us from proving our love for God?
8. What is it we need to crucify in our lives to please God?
9. What is it that we need to nail to the cross to glorify our Heavenly Father?
10. Through our lifestyle (*how we live*), what sin is keeping people away from Christ instead of drawing people closer to Christ?