

Light and Life: Jesus in the Gospel of John

Today's message: The Glorious Spectacle of the Cross

What God intended for me to see at the Cross:

John 19:36-37 (ESV)

³⁶ For these things took place **that the Scripture might be fulfilled**: "Not one of his bones will be broken." ³⁷ And again another Scripture says, "**They will look on him whom they have pierced.**"

Zechariah 12:10 (ESV)

¹⁰ "And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and pleas for mercy, so that, **when they look on me, on him whom they have pierced, they shall mourn for him**, as one mourns for an only child, and weep bitterly over him, as one weeps over a firstborn.

A fulfillment of _____ and _____

A display of my _____ and _____

An offer of _____ and _____

A display of God's _____ and _____!

Ephesians 1:3-8 (ESV)

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with **every spiritual blessing** in the heavenly places, ⁴ even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love ⁵ he predestined us for adoption as sons thru Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, ⁶ **to the praise of his glorious grace**, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. ⁷ In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, ⁸ which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight

When I view the spectacle of the Cross, what do I see?

Mere _____?

Misunderstood _____?

Or, my _____?

Romans 5:8-10 (ESV)

⁸ ... God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹ Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰ For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

Jesus and His Return: We will see the One we have pierced again!

Revelation 1:4-8 (ESV)

⁴Grace to you and peace from him **who is** and **who was** and **who is to come**, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood ⁶and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ⁷Behold, **he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him.** Even so. Amen. ⁸"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "**who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.**"

Jesus, who is ...

Jesus, who was ...

Jesus, who is to come ...