

# The Scriptures will be fulfilled

John 19:23 Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments, and made four parts, to every soldier a part; and also *his* coat: now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout. 24 They said therefore among themselves, Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be: **that the scripture might be fulfilled,** which saith, They parted my raiment among them, and for my vesture they did cast lots. These things therefore the soldiers did.

25 Now there stood by the cross of Jesus his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the *wife* of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene. 26 When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by, whom he loved, he saith unto his mother, Woman, behold thy son! 27 Then saith he to the disciple, Behold thy mother! And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own *home*.

28 After this, Jesus knowing that **all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled,** saith, I thirst. 29 Now there was set a vessel full

of vinegar: and they filled a sponge with vinegar, and put *it* upon hyssop, and put *it* to his mouth. 30 When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.

31 The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was an high day,) besought Pilate that their **legs might be broken**, and *that* they might be taken away. 32 Then came the soldiers, and brake the legs of the first, and of the other which was crucified with him. 33 But when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was dead already, **they brake not his legs:** 34 But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out blood and water. 35 And **he that saw *it* bare record, and his record is true:** and **he knoweth that he saith true, that ye might believe.** 36 For these things were done, **that the scripture should be fulfilled,** A bone of him shall not be broken. 37 And **again another scripture saith,** They shall look on him whom they pierced.

- The apostles were obviously students of the Word of God.
- Much of what they had studied would have been very academic. They knew the facts but didn't understand the application. They knew what it said but didn't realize what it meant **Luke 24:13** And, behold, two of them went that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem *about* threescore furlongs. **14** And they talked together of all these things which had happened. **15** And it came to pass, that, while they **communed together and reasoned**, Jesus himself drew near, and went with them. **16** **But their eyes were holden that they should not know him.** **17** And he said unto them, What manner of communications *are* these that ye have one to another, as ye walk, and are sad? **18** And the one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answering said unto him, Art thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass there in these days? **19** And he said unto them, What things? And they said unto him, Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, which was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people: **20** And how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death, and have crucified him. **21** But we trusted that it had been he which should have

redeemed Israel: and beside all this, to day is the third day since these things were done. 22 Yea, and certain women also of our company made us astonished, which were early at the sepulchre; 23 And when they found not his body, they came, saying, that they had also seen a vision of angels, which said that he was alive. 24 And certain of them which were with us went to the sepulchre, and found *it* even so as the women had said: but him they saw not. 25 Then he said unto them, **O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken:** 26 Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory? 27 And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, **he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.** 28 And they drew nigh unto the village, whither they went: and he made as though he would have gone further. 29 But they constrained him, saying, Abide with us: for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. And he went in to tarry with them. 30 And it came to pass, as he sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed *it*, and brake, and gave to

them. 31 And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight. 32 And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures?

- They read the Scriptures but just didn't understand them. They had seen the prophecies about the Messiah but were confused.
  - Now they are seeing it all! It makes sense. They see happen to Jesus things that they had read and studied and realized that it was Scripture coming true
  - Approximately 20 Old Testament prophecies are fulfilled in these moments surrounding the crucifixion
  - John mentions several to show that God was in charge of the events that were taking place
  - We see that the Scriptures never failed
  - Jesus is the Christ, the Anointed One, the Messiah just like what the Old Testament had said
1. The Scriptures were fulfilled. This truth is mention 3 times directly and once indirectly in only 14 verses

- a. His clothing divided up **23** Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments, and made four parts, to every soldier a part; and also *his* coat: now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout. **24** They said therefore among themselves, Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be: **that the scripture might be fulfilled,** which saith, They parted my raiment among them, and for my vesture they did cast lots. These things therefore the soldiers did. **Psalm 22:18** They part my garments among them, And cast lots upon my vesture.
- b. The vinegar given **28** After this, Jesus knowing that **all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled,** saith, I thirst. **29** Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and they filled a sponge with vinegar, and put *it* upon hyssop, and put *it* to his mouth. **Psalm 69:21** They gave me also gall for my meat; And in my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink.

- c. Not breaking Jesus legs **31** The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was an high day,) besought Pilate that their **legs might be broken,** and *that* they might be taken away. **32** Then came the soldiers, and brake the legs of the first, and of the other which was crucified with him. **33** But when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was dead already, **they brake not his legs:** **36** For these things were done, **that the scripture should be fulfilled,** A bone of him shall not be broken. **Psalm 34:20** He keepeth all his bones: Not one of them is broken.
- d. The spear piercing His side **34** But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out blood and water. **35** And **he that saw *it* bare record,** and **his record is true:** and **he knoweth that he saith true, that ye might believe.** **37** And **again another scripture saith,** They shall look on him whom they pierced. **Zechariah 12:10** And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, The spirit of grace and of supplications: And

they shall **look upon me whom they have pierced,**  
And they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for *his*  
only *son*, And shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is  
in bitterness for *his* firstborn.

- e. You will learn that you can trust the Scriptures or you will have nothing as a Christian.
  - i. You cannot live on your feelings.
  - ii. You cannot live on what your parents told you
  - iii. You will face extremely hard things and times and only your faith in God through His Word will get you through
  - iv. This book is true. It is the Word of God.

2. The Scriptures are about Jesus. This is where you come to learn about Him, to believe in Him, to believe Him [5:39](#)  
**Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.**

- a. We see Christ as the Seed of woman who will one day crush the head of Satan [Genesis 3:15](#) **And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt **bruise** his heel.** [Romans 16:20](#) **And the God of**



peace shall **bruise Satan under your feet shortly.**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you. Amen.

**Hebrews 2:14** Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death **he might destroy** him that had the power of death, that is, **the devil;**

- b. The Passover Lamb was the story of Jesus Christ as our sacrificial lamb **Exodus 12:13** And the blood shall be to you for **a token** upon the houses where *ye are*: and **when I see the blood,** I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy *you*, when I smite the land of Egypt.
- c. In Leviticus we see Him as our high priest making sacrifices for us to atone for our sins
- d. Job some how knows that he will not die but live again and see His Redeemer face to face **Job 19:25-26** For I know *that my redeemer liveth,* And *that* he shall stand at the latter *day* upon the earth: **26** And *though* after my skin *worms* destroy this *body,* Yet **in my flesh shall I see God:**

- e. Isaiah tells us of His birth, His death, His carrying our sins on His own body and purchasing our salvation [Isaiah 53](#)
- f. Jonah pictures His death and Jesus Himself made that reference
- g. We make a major mistake when we turn our Bible reading and study into rules, Jewish history, or simply facts. Look for Jesus!

### 3. God's Word never fails

a. God's Word has proven itself thousands of times over. No matter how much the mockers would try to make you doubt they are but fools

b. How did we get the Word of God

i. Men didn't say or write what they thought or wanted but were rather moved by the Holy Spirit. He spoke through them [II Peter 1:21](#) **For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.**

1. Being moved by the Holy Spirit means that He literally put His Word in their tongue [II Samuel 23:2](#) **The Spirit of the Lord spake by me, And his word was in my tongue.**

2. God spoke by the mouth of His prophets **Luke 1:70** As he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, Which have been since the world began:
  3. God showed things by the mouth of His prophets **Acts 3:18** But those things, which God before had shewed by the mouth of all his prophets, that Christ should suffer, he hath so fulfilled.
- ii. The Scriptures were given by inspiration of God **II Timothy 3:16-17** All scripture is given **by inspiration of God**, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: **17** That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.
- c. Our mistake is to try and think of the Bible as a historical book or man's book and then read it like any other book
  - d. It is to be spiritually discerned or understood **I Corinthians 2:14** But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know *them*, because they are **spiritually discerned**. **Hebrews 5:14** But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, *even* those who by

reason of use have **their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.**

- e. Know that it is no normal book because while you are trying to discern it, the Bible, it will be discerning you! That is what makes men so uncomfortable with the Word of God **Hebrews 4:12** *For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a **discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.***
- f. Don't be the fool that falls for the lie that the Bible is old, not relevant and contains many contradictions and mistakes. Those are lies told by those that would have you not get into the Bible. If God was big enough to inspire the Scriptures, give us the truths through men that they couldn't even understand then you can trust Him to protect and preserve His Word for you
- g. Satan was also very sure that the Word of God wasn't true nor relevant all the way back in the garden of Eden. He was sure that was a misunderstanding or mistranslation

#### 4. Application for you to take home

- a. Find out why every story is in the Old Testament. Try to see how Jesus is the hero of the story
- b. Realize that the Bible wasn't given to you as a list of runs or a bunch of facts that you needed to memorize
- c. Do not allow yourself you fall for the lies that make you doubt the Word of God. They only mock it because they fear it. Where is their mock for other religious books
- d. Get in the book and learn to understand it and allow it into you to discern you
- e. Trust that God spoke to us
- f. Realize that you do not need to pump yourself up with men's positive thinking but fill your heart and mind with Biblical truth