



**When All Hope Dies  
April 9 & 10, 2022**

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**When Jesus died, His followers' hope died.**

**When Jesus died, all of His "outlandish claims" appeared to be false.**

**Outlandish Claims:**

- **Claim #1- He claimed to have God's power to forgive sin.**
- **Claim #2- He claimed to be greater than the temple.**
- **Claim #3- He claimed to be greater than Moses, Abraham, and the prophets.**
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"At this point many of his disciples turned away and deserted him."

**John 6:67-69 (NLT)**

"Then Jesus turned to the Twelve and asked, 'Are you also going to leave?' Simon Peter replied, 'Lord, to whom would we go? You have the words that give eternal life. We believe, and we know you are the Holy One of God.'"

**When hope died, hope actually came alive and provides me:**

**1 Forgiveness from God and the ability to forgive others.**

**Luke 23:34 (NLT)**

"Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them, for they don't know what they are doing.' And the soldiers gambled for his clothes by throwing dice."

**Jeremiah 17:10 (NLT)**

"But I, the Lord, search all hearts and examine secret motives. I give all people their due rewards, according to what their actions deserve."

**Colossians 3:13 (NLT)**

"Make allowance for each other's faults, and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others."

**2 Assurance of my salvation by simply believing.**

**Luke 23:43 (NLT)**

"And Jesus replied, 'I assure you, today you will be with me in paradise.'"

**3 God's righteousness as the substitution for my sins.**

**Matthew 27:46 (NIV)**

"...Eli Eli, lema sabachthani?"

(Which means "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?")

**Habakkuk 1:13 (ICB)**

"Your eyes are too good to look at evil. You cannot stand to see people do wrong. So how can you put up with those evil people?..."

**4 Clarity that Jesus alone is the Savior of the world.**

**John 19:26-27 (NLT)**

"When Jesus saw his mother standing there beside the disciple he loved, he said to her, 'Dear woman, here is your son.' And he said to this disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from then on this disciple took her into his home."

**John 1:12-13 (NLT)**

"But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. They are reborn- not with the physical birth resulting from human passion or plan, but a birth that comes from God."

**5 Confidence for me to surrender to God's will, whatever it may be.**

**Luke 23:46 (ESV)**

"...Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!"

**Luke 22:42 (TPT)**

“Father, if you are willing, take this cup of agony away from me. But no matter what, your will must be mine.”

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**Healing in exchange for His unimaginable suffering.**

**John 19:28 (NIV)**

“...I am thirsty.”

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**Victory over the power, penalty and price of sin.**

**John 19:30 (NLT)**

“When Jesus had tasted it, he said, ‘It is finished!’ Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.”

**Hebrews 9:12, 25-26 (TPT)**

“And he has entered once and forever into the Holiest Sanctuary of All, not with the blood of animal sacrifices, but the sacred blood of his own sacrifice. And he alone has made our salvation secure forever! ... But the Messiah did not need to repeatedly offer himself year after year, for that would mean you must suffer repeatedly ever since the fall of the world. But now he has appeared at the fulfillment of the ages to abolish sin once and for all by the sacrifice of himself.”



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