

>> **Spring 2023 Bible Study - Pleasing God**  
**Unit II: Example of Jesus' Sacrifice**  
**Lesson Six - Jesus Sacrifice of \_\_\_\_\_**

→ Scriptures - **John 20:1-10, 19-20; Psalm 16:1-11; Ephesians 1:15-23**

**Lesson 5 Recap** -

Jesus is celebrated and heralded as Messiah while riding a donkey into Jerusalem. The crowds lined the street, waved palms and shouted "Hosanna," [Psalm 118;25] which is a shout of adoration meaning "save us!" Less than one week later, throngs of this same crowd yelled, "Crucify Him," as one helter-skelter episode of criminal justice played itself out in real time. Jesus suffers the cross and is ridiculed, taunted and jeered at for hours. Some shouted, "Come down from there," and others, "Free or save Yourself and we will believe." The ultimate jeer, however was, "He trusted God, let God save Him!" Jesus uttered not a word except the sayings from the cross we celebrate. In the end, after His death, a lone centurion soldier observes, "Jesus truly was the Son of God." He surmised this from the suffering. Jesus died because He told the world who He truly is. What do we suffer for truth, identity and/or the Kingdom sake? Are we willing to suffer to the end for righteousness?

**Lesson 6 Questions:**

**Define suffering -**

**>>> the state of undergoing pain, distress or hardship**

1. Why does the Christian church worship on Sunday when the Biblical Sabbath is still Friday eve (sunset) thru Saturday?
2. What do you feel about the entire tomb scene (ie rolled stone, cloths, head wrapping, missing body)?
3. In John 20, verses 1 and 19, emphasis is made that it's the First Day. If one still keeps God's creation week of seven days intact, the Sunday after is considered the 8th day. Research and describe the phenomena of the 8th day? Can Christians be considered an 8th Day creation?

4. What negates the conversation that Jesus' body was simply stolen and there is no resurrection?  
What three things should all Christians have according to Paul's letter, in Ephesians 1:18-19?
5. What do you make of a resurrected Jesus saying, "Peace to you!" the first time He is seen by His followers who were thinking the worst?

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### Extra Notes and References

[Numbers 29:35](#) ESV /

"On the eighth day you shall have a solemn assembly. You shall not do any ordinary work,

[Leviticus 23:36](#) ESV /

For seven days you shall present food offerings to the LORD. On the eighth day you shall hold a holy convocation and present a food offering to the LORD. It is a solemn assembly; you shall not do any ordinary work.

[Nehemiah 8:18](#) ESV /

And day by day, from the first day to the last day, he read from the Book of the Law of God. They kept the feast seven days, and on the eighth day there was a solemn assembly, according to the rule.

[Leviticus 23:39](#) ESV /

"On the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when you have gathered in the produce of the land, you shall celebrate the feast of the LORD seven days. On the first day shall be a solemn rest, and on the eighth day shall be a solemn rest.

[Leviticus 23:21](#) ESV /

And you shall make a proclamation on the same day. You shall hold a holy convocation. You shall not do any ordinary work. It is a statute forever in all your dwelling places throughout your generations.

[Leviticus 12:3](#) ESV /

**And on the eighth day the flesh of his foreskin shall be circumcised.**

[Revelation 20:11-15](#) ESV /

Then I saw a great white throne and Him who was seated on it. From his presence earth and sky fled away, and no place was found for them. And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Then another book was opened, which is the book of life. And the dead were judged by what was written in the books, according to what they had done. And the sea gave up the dead who were in it, Death and Hades gave up the dead who were in them, and they were judged, each one of them, according to what they had done. Then Death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire. And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

[Matthew 5:1-48](#) ESV /

Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. ...

[2 Chronicles 7:9](#) ESV /

And on the eighth day they held a solemn assembly, for they had kept the dedication of the altar seven days and the feast seven days.

[Isaiah 11:1-2](#) ESV /

There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

[Numbers 29:12](#) ESV /

"On the fifteenth day of the seventh month you shall have a holy convocation. You shall not do any ordinary work, and you shall keep a feast to the LORD seven days.

[Matthew 16:18](#) ESV /

And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

[Matthew 12:41-42](#) ESV /

The men of Nineveh will rise up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and behold, something greater than Jonah is here. The queen of the South will rise up at the judgment with this generation and

condemn it, for she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon,  
and behold, something greater than Solomon is here.