

CHAPTER TWO

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GOD'S WISDOM IS THE WISDOM OF THE CROSS.

(Contains the revelations of Mary of Agreda.)

Jesus reaches Golgotha

Jesus reaches the mountain of sacrifice. This mountain is the very same mountain ridge that Abraham brought his son Isaac.

Mount Moriah.

God informs us through Mary Agreda that Mount Moriah ridge is the same location and spot where Jesus was crucified. **Moriah means chosen by God.** The name Moriah can be found in the bible and is where Abraham was commanded to sacrifice his son Isaac Gn (22:2) and where Solomon built the Temple to the Lord. 2 Chr (3:1)

For additional models and diagrams of Mount Moriah go to,

<http://www.4kingdoms.com/dome-of-rock.html>

Mount Calvary.

Golgotha is the Greek name that means "place of the skull". Calvary is the English name of the Latin word Calvariae which means "place of the skull".



The skull is a symbol of death. Jesus tasted death by experiencing the total sum of every man's sorrow and the symbol of the skull represents this spot. It must be understood that Jesus experienced the suicidal emotions of those that have or will reject God at their Final Tests.

Heb 2:9 **But we see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the Angels, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God He might *taste death* for every one.**

Jesus Arrives At Mount Calvary.

Our loving Jesus arrived at its summit so worn out, wounded, torn and disfigured, that He seemed altogether transformed into an object of pain and sorrows. The sorrowful and afflicted Mother, in the sorrows of Her soul, also arrived at the summit of the mount with John and the other pious women.

Just before the Lord's executioners were about to strip Jesus of His clothes, the

Mother of Jesus turned in Spirit to the eternal Father and prayed: **“My Lord and eternal God, you are the Father of Your only Son. As Man He was born of My womb and received from Me His human nature, in which He now suffers. I have nursed and sustained Him; I love Him with a motherly love. By Your Divine degree, You have given Me, as His Mother, a natural right in My Son’s humanity. This right of a Mother then, I now yield to You and once more place in Your hands Me and My Son as a sacrifice for the Redemption of man. Accept, My Lord, this pleasing offering, since this is more than I can ever offer by submitting My own self as a victim. This sacrifice costs Me much sorrow and pain. For if it would be permitted that I should suffer and die for My Son, I would consider it a great relief and fulfillment of My dearest wishes”.**

The executioners were preparing to give Jesus the drink of wine, myrrh and gall. The Jews were accustomed to give to those about to be executed a drink of strong wine in order to help them to bear their torments with greater strength. This custom they now perverted to increase the sufferings of Jesus. The drink, which was intended to assist and strengthen other criminals, was now mixed with Myrrh. The Jews did this to torment His sense of taste with bitterness. Jesus tasted the mixture, but would not drink it entirely.

- 1) “Myrrh” is a ***bitter tasting*** gum that oozes out from small trees. When the bark of the tree is wounded, the gum flows as a pale

yellow liquid, but hardens to a reddish-brown mass, being found in tears of many sizes. The surface is rough and powdered, and the pieces are brittle, with a granular fracture, semi-transparent, and oily.



Myrrh

Mt 27:33 And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of the Skull),
27:34 they gave Jesus wine to drink mixed with gall. But when He had tasted it, He refused to drink.

Mk 15:22 They brought Him to the place of Golgotha (which is translated Place of the Skull).

15:23 They gave Him wine drugged with myrrh, but He did not take it.

It was already noon, and the executioners removed His seamless tunic. As the tunic was large and without an opening in front, they pulled it over His head, ***taking with it the crown of thorns.*** On account of this rudeness, ***they inhumanly tore off the crown and opened again all the wounds of His head.*** In some of these wounds the thorns broke off.



Taking the crown again, they forced it back upon His head, creating new wounds. In addition to this, a new suffering was created. ***By tearing off His tunic, they reopened all His wounds because the tunic had dried and stuck to His injuries.***

Ps 69:27 For they pursued the one you struck, ***added to the pain of the one you wounded.***

Four times they removed His clothing.

- 1) The first time to scourge Him at the Pillar.
- 2) The second time to cloth Jesus in purple and scarlet.
- 3) The third time when they removed the purple and clothed Jesus in His tunic.
- 4) The fourth when they finally took away His clothes.

This last removal of His clothing was the most painful, because His wounds were more numerous, His humanity weakened, and there was ***no shelter against the sharp cold wind on Golgotha.***

The Holy Cross was lying on the ground and the executioners were busy making the necessary preparations for crucifying Him and the two thieves. In the meanwhile Jesus prayed to the Father saying: “Eternal Father and My Lord God, to the impenetrable Majesty of Your infinite goodness and justice, I offer My entire humanity and all that according to Your will in descending from Your bosom to assume mortal flesh for the Redemption of men. My brethren I offer You, Lord, with Myself, also My Most loving Mother, Her love, Her Most perfect works, Her sorrows, Her sufferings, Her anxious and prudent solicitude in serving Me, imitating Me and accompanying Me unto death. I offer You the little flock of My Apostles, the Holy Church and the congregation of the faithful, such as it is now and ***as it shall be to the end of the world;*** and with it I offer to You all the children of Adam. All this I place in Your hands as the true and almighty Lord and God. As far as My wishes are concerned, I suffer and die for all, and I desire that all shall be saved, under the condition that all follow Me and profit of My Redemption. Thus may they pass from the slavery of the devil to be Your children, My brethren and co-heirs of Our Spirit merited by Me. Especially, O Father, do I offer to You the poor, the despised and afflicted, who are My friends and who follow Me on the way to the Cross. I desire that the just be written in Your eternal memory. I ask You, My Father, to withhold Your punishments over men; let them not be punished as they merit for their sins. Be their Father from now on as You are

Mine. I ask You also, *that they may be helped to ponder My Death in Holy affection and be enlightened from above.* I pray for those who are persecuting Me, so that they may be converted to the truth. Above all, I ask You for the exaltation of Your Most Holy Name”.

This prayer was known to His Mother, and She imitated Him and made the same petitions to the Father in as far as it applied to Her. The Mother of Jesus never forgot or disregarded the first word, which She had heard from the mouth of Her Son as an infant. **“Become like unto Me, My beloved”.** Whatever She thus perceived, She imitated. She was always anxious to study and penetrate the actions of Christ. With a deep understanding, the Mother of Jesus put the actions of Jesus into fruition, and to practice them zealously during all Her life. This was the desire of Christ to see His love copied in all its magnitude in a mere creature.

Brothers, let us take to heart the words Jesus said to His Mother, **“Become like unto Me, My beloved”.**

Jesus Is Stripped Of His Clothing.

Recall the words of John the Baptist.

Jn 1:35 The next day again John the Baptist was standing with two of his disciples;
1:36 and he looked at Jesus as He walked, and said, “Behold, the **Lamb of God!**”

The question must be asked, why is Jesus referred as a lamb? First we need to

understand what are lambs. Lambs are one-year-old sheep or goats. Did you know that lambs are very gentle and will not escape from your arms?



A scene from a movie about Moses.

In the same way a lamb will not escape your arms, Jesus allowed Himself to be stripped of His clothing and be crucified.



Jesus is Nailed to the Cross.

The executioners commanded Jesus to stretch Himself out upon the Cross to mark the places for the holes. The teacher of humility obeyed without hesitation. The executioners, *having in mind a new torture, marked the holes larger than our Lord's Body*. In doing so they had intended to pull with a chain to align His hands and feet over the holes. When Jesus rose from the Cross, they set about boring the holes. The Blessed Virgin approached and took hold of one of His hands, adoring Him and kissing His hand with reverence. The soldiers allowed this because they thought that the sight of His Mother would cause Him pain. *For they wished to spare Him no sorrow they could cause Him*. But they

were ignorant of the hidden mysteries; for Jesus had no greater source of comfort and interior joy than to see the actions of His most blessed Mother, *the beautiful likeness of Himself and the full fruits of His Passion and Death*.

Brothers; unlike the rest of the children of Eve, the Mother Jesus was born into the world with the Seven Spirits of God within Her Soul. Without God's Seven Spirits, Her heart couldn't appreciate Her Son's sufferings. As Scripture says, Jesus looked for compassion and comforters but found none, however His Mother gave Him comfort. So I say to you, let's suffer with Christ; He needs our company on His painful path. As a faithful friend, you will receive the Lord's compassion and love. Your spirit will slowly change into the likeness of Jesus.

Having bored the three holes into the Cross, they commanded Jesus to stretch Himself out upon it. As the Author of patience obeyed, one of the executioners seized the hand of Jesus and placed it upon the hole, while another hammered a large and rough nail through the palm.

HE WAS PIERCED FOR OUR TRANSGRESSIONS



The veins and the muscles were torn, and the bones were forced apart. Since they made the holes to far apart, they took the chain with which Jesus had been bound in the garden, and looping one end through a ring around His wrist, *they pulled the hand over the hole and fastened it with another nail.* Next they seized His feet, and placed them one above the other, they tied the same chain around both feet and stretched them down to the third hole. Then His executioners drove through both feet a large nail into the Cross. Thus His sacred body was nailed motionless. The bones of His body could now be counted, because they were dislocated and forced from their natural position. By this cruel violence, the bones of His breast, His shoulders and arms were now torn from their muscles.



The Four Gospels do not give a description of how Jesus was crucified. The Gospels do not say how Jesus was nailed to the Cross. Thus we have people saying Jesus was nailed through the wrist and not the palm of the hand. Some believe Jesus feet were separately nailed and not one foot on top of the other. We are safe to believe in the writings of Mary of Agreda because 5 Popes have written official documents to believe in her writings.

The reason why the Gospels do not give details of Jesus crucifixion is deeper spiritual mysteries are always harder to find and become like pearls of great wealth to the one who seeks them. Mary of Agreda and her writings are a treasure

of pearls only given to the soul who wants to know more about Jesus and His Mother Mary.



Never forget, we are being tested and arrogance is one of the hardest tests. God, the son and holy spirit will hide from us and it is part of our test to seek the Lord.

God created the tree that provided the wood for His Cross. God created and cultivated the bramble bush that provided the thorns for His “royal crown”. God buried in the earth the iron that was to forge My nails.

Ps 22:17 Many dogs surround Me; a pack of evildoers closes in on Me. So wasted are My hands and feet
22:18 that I can count all My bones. They stare at Me and gloat.

The Hands And Feet Of Jesus.

The human body has many parts. The ear, eye, feet and hands have spiritual significances.

- 1) The ear represents our memories. When we listen to God’s word, we place His grace in our memories.
- 2) The eye represents our understandings. The term or saying “I see” represents understanding and comprehension. Only a very few can see the beauty of God’s Seven Spirits. (Those who are saved in the first, second and third watch can see.) As light as seven parts (rainbow), God’s Spirit has seven parts. Rev (3:1) Wisdom, understanding, counsel, strength, knowledge, Holy Fear and My delight of Holy Fear. Is (11:2)
- 3) The feet represent our hearts. Clearly it’s our feet that take us to where our hearts desire. When we train with our trainer grace, this also represents our feet. Only a few can see the beauty of God’s Seven Spirits. Thus they are the only ones who can see where their feet take them. And their feet take them places to practice charity.
- 4) The hands represent charity. When we give charitable assistance to others, it’s our hands that give that assistance. But only the 144,000 have perfect charity. It takes eyes that can see and feet that carry the 144,000 to places of charity.

Jesus feet and hands are nailed to the Cross to represent His love for the elect and damned. The horizontal beam represents the arrogance of the elect. His saving right hand, in charity, lifts the elect from their accusers at their Final Tests. His feet represents His hearts desire to save all men, including the damned. But since the damned can't be comforted at their Final Tests, God's justice will not save them with His hands.

Brothers, it's easy to overlook, but our emotions that occur to us daily match the events that occur to us. At our Final Tests, men will fall into suicidal depression because they do not have an emotion to appreciate the sorrows of Jesus. In order to appreciate Jesus Passion, we must have some experience in caring about the sorrows of others. The damned do not have such experiences. In fact the damned have a long history in causing sorrow to others.

The Holes Too Wide For Jesus' Hands: The Seed choked by thorns.

Jesus told a parable about a sower and how a sower sowed his seed.



Some seed fell along the path, some seed fell on rocky ground and other seed fell upon thorns and the thorns grew up and choked the plants. Mt (13:3) Jesus said the seed sown among thorns represent those that hears the word, but the cares of the world and the delights in riches choke the word and the plants prove unfruitful. Mt (13:22)



Thorns

The reason why the holes on the Cross were made so far apart is to represent how Jesus' saving right hand will save those who are represented by the seed sown in thorns. These are the people who were dying made death bed confessions and ask the Lord for forgiveness. An example are those that received the

Catholic Sacrament of Anointing of the sick.

Questions

- 1) What does the word Moriah mean?
- 2) What was the name of the location where Abraham was going to sacrifice his son? What was his son's name?
- 3) What does the word Calvary mean? What does the word Gogotha mean?
- 4) The human skull is a symbol of _____.
- 5) Jesus tasted death because He experienced the total sum of _____.
- 6) What is Myrrh?
- 7) Why was it so painful for Jesus when they tore off Jesus tunic?
- 8) What were the first words Jesus spoke to Mary on the day Jesus was born?
- 9) Why is Jesus represented as a lamb?
- 10) To add to Jesus pain, the executioners marked the holes on the horizontal beam larger than Jesus Body. Thus they used a _____ to pull His hand over the hole.
- 11) The four Gospels write about Jesus crucifixion but do not give details. Why do the Gospel writers leave out details?
- 12) The ear represents what?
- 13) The eye represents how a soul can see the beauty of God's _____.
- 14) The feet take us to where our hearts desire. Thus the feet is a symbol of our _____.
- 15) The hand represents what?
- 16) The hands of Jesus are nailed to the Cross and represent how Jesus saving _____ hand lifts the elect from their _____ at their Final Tests.
- 17) Jesus would love to save the damned and this is represent how?
- 18) The parable about the sower and his seed, some of the seed fell among thorns. What does this represent?
- 19) The hand of Jesus is pulled out to the hole in the Cross to represent how Jesus saves those who hears the word but the cares of the world and the delights in _____ choke the word and the plants prove _____.
- 20) A sacrament called _____ of the sick is given to people who are dying and may not live. It's very important for people to have death bed confessions. If these people allowed the word of God to be choked by the cares of the world, these people can still be saved. The symbol representing the salvation of people

who allowed the cares of the world to
choke the word is what?