

Last Words



ABANDONMENT AT THE CROSS

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Where is God?

Jesus taught us that lament is
an appropriate biblical response
to heavy life situations.

Lament allows us to express
our feelings without ignoring
the facts.

²² I will declare your name to my people;
in the assembly I will praise you. ²³ You
who fear the LORD, praise him! All you
descendants of Jacob, honour him!
Revere him, all you descendants of Israel!

PSALM 22:22-23

⁸ Come near to God and he will
come near to you.

JAMES 4:8

1) PATERNALLY FORSAKEN

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MATTHEW 27:45-46

¹ My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, so far from my cries of anguish? ² My God, I cry out by day, but you do not answer, by night, but I find no rest.

PSALM 22:1-2

³⁰ “I and the Father are one.”

JOHN 10:30

For the first time in His earthly
life, Jesus experienced
total silence.

One of the greatest fears in life
is be alone.

¹¹ Do not cast me from your presence
or take your Holy Spirit from me.

PSALM 51:11

¹¹ Do not be far from me, for trouble is
near and there is no one to help.

PSALM 22:11

¹⁹ But you, LORD, do not be far from me.
You are my strength; come quickly
to help me.

PSALM 22:19

“Never will I leave you; never will
I forsake you.”

HEBREWS 13:5

2) PHYSICALLY FORSAKEN

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MATTHEW 27:48

According to the gospel
accounts, Jesus was given
two drinks.

²³ Then they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it.

MARK 15:23

²⁸ Later, knowing that everything had now been finished, and so that Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, "I am thirsty." ²⁹ A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus' lips.

JOHN 19:28-29

In order to atone for our sin, He
had to experience the full wrath
of God against sin.

“Can you drink the cup I am
going to drink?”

MATTHEW 20:23

¹⁹ You know how I am scorned, disgraced
and shamed; all my enemies are before
you. ²⁰ Scorn has broken my heart and
has left me helpless; I looked for
sympathy, but there was none, for
comforters, but I found none. ²¹ They put
gall in my food and **gave me vinegar for
my thirst.**

PSALM 69:19-21

Jesus suffered to the uttermost.

3) PUBLICLY FORSAKEN

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MATTHEW 27:47 & 49

**A) ELIJAH NEVER
DIED**

¹¹ As they were walking along and talking together, suddenly a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and separated the two of them, and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind.

2 KINGS 4:11

**B) ELIJAH WOULD
COME AGAIN**

⁵ “See, I will send the prophet Elijah to you before that great and dreadful day of the LORD comes.”

MALACHI 4:5

¹¹ And they asked him, “Why do the teachers of the law say that Elijah must come first?” ¹² Jesus replied, “To be sure, Elijah does come first, and restores all things.

MARK 9:11-13

Why then is it written that the Son of Man must suffer much and be rejected? ¹³ But I tell you, Elijah has come, and they have done to him everything they wished, just as it is written about him.”

MARK 9:11-13

⁷ During the days of Jesus' life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with fervent cries and tears to the one who could save him from death.

HEBREWS 5:7

Saving is not about prolonging
life, saving is about having
resurrection life.

Jesus refused to be saved on
earth so that we could ultimately
be saved for eternity.

There will be no more death or mourning
or crying or pain.

REVELATION 21:4

The Son of Man must suffer many things
and be rejected by the elders, the chief
priests and the teachers of the law, and
that he must be killed and after three days
rise again.

MARK 8:31

Jesus was abandoned and
forsaken so that we can be
accepted and forgiven.

“Have faith and do not doubt.”

MATTHEW 21:21

²² “Have faith in God,” Jesus answered...
[that person is one who does] not doubt in
their heart but believes.

MARK 11:22-23

You must believe and not doubt, because
the one who doubts is like a wave of the
sea, blown and tossed by the wind.

JAMES 1:6-7

When darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil

– CORNERSTONE –

SERMON REVIEW:

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- 2) PHYSICALLY FORSAKEN**
- 3) PUBLICLY FORSAKEN**

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