

Last Words



TRIUMPH AT THE CROSS

⁵⁰ And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit.

MATTHEW 27:50

³⁷ With a loud cry, Jesus breathed his last.

MARK 15:37

⁴⁶ Jesus called out with a loud voice,
“Father, into your hands I commit
my spirit.” When he had said this,
he breathed his last.

LUKE 23:46

³⁰ When he had received the drink,
Jesus said, "It is finished."

JOHN 19:30

John is the only gospel account
that recorded the words
“It is finished”.

According to Matthew's gospel,
Jesus gave up His spirit.

According to Mark and Luke's
gospels, Jesus breathed His last.

1) CURTAIN TORN

⁵¹ At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom.

MATTHEW 27:51a

[Jesus] was designated by God to be high priest in the order of Melchizedek.

HEBREWS 5:10

¹ This Melchizedek was king of Salem and priest of God Most High... First, the name Melchizedek means “king of righteousness”; then also, “king of Salem” means “king of peace.”

HEBREWS 7:1-3

³ Without father or mother, without
genealogy, without beginning of days or
end of life, resembling the Son of God,
he remains a priest forever.

HEBREWS 7:1-3

¹⁴ **Therefore**, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess.

HEBREWS 4:14

¹⁶ Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

HEBREWS 4:16

¹⁹ **Therefore**, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by a new and living way opened for us **through the curtain, that is, his body,** ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God,

HEBREWS 10:19-22

²² let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water.

HEBREWS 10:19-22

**“I am the way.... No one comes to the
Father except through me.”**

JOHN 14:6

2) EARTH SHOOK

The earth shook, the rocks split.

MATTHEW 27:51b

¹ The words of Amos, one of the shepherds of Tekoa—the vision he saw concerning Israel two years before the earthquake, when Uzziah was king of Judah and Jeroboam son of Jehoash was king of Israel.

AMOS 1:1

**You will flee as you fled from the
earthquake in the days of Uzziah
king of Judah.**

ZECHARIAH 14:5

The earth trembled and quaked, and the
foundations of the mountains shook;
they trembled because he was angry.

2 SAMUEL 22:8 & PSALM 18:7

An earthquake seems to reflect
God's anger towards the falling
spiritual condition of His people.

There was a great earthquake

REVELATION 6:12

¹³ At that very hour there was a severe earthquake and a tenth of the city collapsed. Seven thousand people were killed in the earthquake, and the survivors were terrified and gave glory to the God of heaven.

REVELATION 11:13

¹⁷ The seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and out of the temple came a loud voice from the throne, saying, "It is done!"

REVELATION 16:17-18

¹⁸ Then there came flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder and a severe earthquake. No earthquake like it has ever occurred since mankind has been on earth, so tremendous was the quake.

REVELATION 16:17-18

An earthquake seems to be
God's way of signifying the
completion of His judgement
and wrath.

What Jesus did on the
cross was a seismic event.
Jesus triumphed over sin.

3) TOMBS OPENED

The tombs broke open. The bodies of
many holy people who had died were
raised to life.

MATTHEW 27:52-53

A better way to interpret the opening of tombs is as satisfying the necessary condition for resurrection to take place three days later.

²⁰ Very truly I tell you, you will weep and mourn while the world rejoices. You will grieve, but your grief will turn to joy.

²¹ A woman giving birth to a child has pain because her time has come;

JOHN 16:20-22

but when her baby is born she forgets the anguish because of her joy that a child is born into the world. ²² So with you: Now is your time of grief, but I will see you again and you will rejoice, and no one will take away your joy.

JOHN 16:20-22

Jesus triumphed over death
and the grave.

The challenge is that it's hard to
know what is real and not real.

SERMON REVIEW:

- 1) CURTAIN TORN
- 2) EARTH SHOOK
- 3) TOMBS OPENED

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