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## Sufferings of Messiah Mark 15:1-31



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but YHWH will arise on you, and his glory shall be seen on you." Isaiah 60:1, 2*

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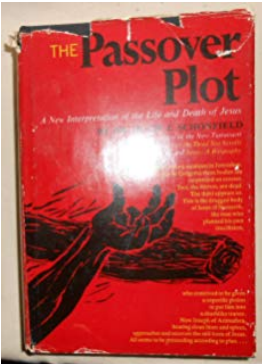
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## From Eliyahu

Did the Son of God really die for us? Certainly, He did. Yet, there have been many contrary voices over the years. Some have said He is a complete myth and never really existed at all. People with this view are speaking from ignorance, since the historical reality of Y'shua/Jesus as portrayed in the Gospels has been well proven by archaeologists throughout the twentieth century. This is on top of all the documentary evidence from the first century onward, and the New Testament itself.

In fact, a number of well-known scholars became believers by researching this question of Christ as a historical figure. C. S. Lewis was one of these. As a young literary scholar at Oxford, C. S. Lewis was an atheist. At that time he believed the Biblical Jesus to be a myth, assuming the story to be a religious fantasy. Later, Lewis was talking with a friend at Oxford whom he describes as “the hardest boiled atheist of all the atheists I ever knew.” His friend said, “The evidence for the historicity of the Gospels was really surprisingly good ... It almost looks as if it had really happened once.”

Lewis was stunned by this remark from such an unexpected source. This was enough to prompt Lewis to investigate the truth for himself. He writes about the result of his discovery of the historical Jesus in his classic book *Mere Christianity*.



starting a new religion.

Beyond that, the apostles were not the sort of people to concoct and execute such a devious and ambitious scheme. By their own account in the Gospels, there was nothing special about them. They were mostly just ordinary Jews of the working class - fishermen and the like. If Y'shua was hatching a plot, He certainly would have picked people better suited to con the world. No, these were authentic men chosen to show us that every man and woman could be saved through Messiah's death. They did what they did because they believed in Him with all their hearts. They knew what they had seen and been a part of, and it was real. Their lives were gripped by that reality, and everyone of them, except for the betrayer, maintained that testimony throughout their lives - and even in their deaths. No person would die to maintain a con game, a lie. Yet, all of the faithful apostles were willing to die for this truth, and most of them did.

**Consider how the 12 apostles died.** The New Testament was mostly completed early, reporting the deaths of only two of the apostles: Judas, the betrayer who went out and hanged himself, and James the son of Zebedee, who was executed by Herod about 44 AD (Acts 12:2).

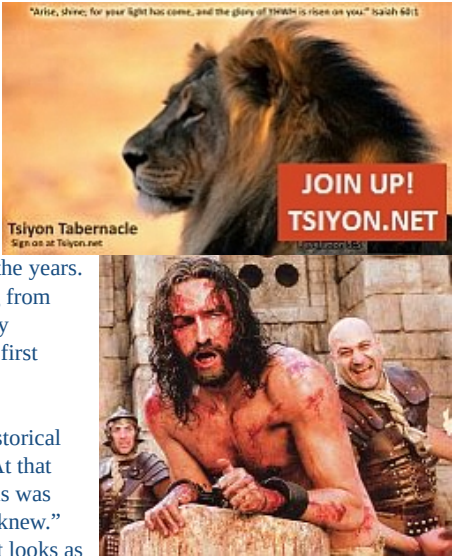
Beyond this inspired information, we have traditions and legends regarding the end of the rest of the apostles. One early legend tells us they cast lots to divide up the world to determine who would go where, as witnesses of Messiah to the world. Stories from various nations seem to confirm this. None of this made for an easy life. In fact, they suffered as their Master had suffered, and most met violent deaths as their Master had, for the sake of the truth.

Here is what we learn about some of the apostles according to the ancient traditions and legends:

**Peter and Paul:** Both were martyred in Rome about 66 AD, during the persecutions of Emperor Nero. Peter was crucified, upside down at his request, since he did not consider himself worthy to die in the same manner as his Lord. Paul was beheaded for the faith.

**Andrew:** He went to the "land of the man-eaters," in Russia. Local legends say he was the first to bring the gospel to that land. He also bore witness to Messiah in Asia Minor, Turkey, and Greece, where he was crucified.

**Thomas:** He witnessed in the area east of Syria, preaching as far east as India. It is claimed that he died in India, pierced by soldier's spears.



They walked with Him. They saw Him die.  
They saw Him live again. They gave their  
lives as proof that their testimony is true.



**Philip:** He witnessed to the populations in Carthage and Asia Minor. There the wife of a Roman proconsul put faith in Messiah. The proconsul was not pleased. He had Philip arrested and killed.

**Matthew:** He witnessed in Persia and Ethiopia. Reports say he was stabbed to death in Ethiopia.

**Bartholomew:** Tradition says he traveled to India with Thomas, to Armenia, to Ethiopia, and to Southern Arabia. He met his death as a martyr for the truth to which he bore witness.

**James:** The son of Alphaeus is one of at least three James referred in Scripture. This James bore witness in Syria. He may have been stoned and clubbed to death for his faith.

**Simon the Zealot:** Preached in Persia and was killed for refusing to sacrifice to the sun god.

**Matthais:** He was chosen to replace Judas as apostle. He went to Syria with Andrew and was burned to death.

**John:** He cared for Mary the mother of Y'shua in his home. He led the assembly in Ephesus. He was exiled to the island of Patmos During Domitian's persecution in the 90's, where he wrote the book of Revelation in his old age. He was the only one of the apostles to die a natural death. He outlived the other apostles, being the last apostle alive.

When we consider the lives and deaths of these men who walked with Y'shua, what chance is there that they were making up stories they themselves didn't believe? Nothing but the amazing truth of who Messiah is and how He died for us can explain the motivation behind the extraordinary lives and deaths of these otherwise ordinary men.

Twelve eye-witnesses who backed up their testimony of Y'shua with their very lives, faithful to that witness even unto death. What other figure in history can even come close to this amazing level of certainty? Surely, none other.

Messiah is real. He died to save us. He is coming back soon. Be ready.

Mark 14:1-31 recounts the sufferings of our Messiah. Tonight at 8 PM CST at [Tsiyon.Net](http://Tsiyon.Net). This is the greatest story ever told.

Shalom,

Eliyahu ben David  
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NOTE: *Many sincere Christians are very concerned to see the growing trend among major Christian denominations, worshipping with other religions that do not acknowledge the Savior. In this example, the Church of England joined with Muslims in Ramadan, a celebration of the first "revelation" of the Quran to Muhammad. A concerned Christian writes below.*

## Are we living in the last days as the Church of England embraces Ramadan?

Reprint : <https://www.chroniclive.co.uk>, 26th May 2018



Muslims joined worshippers of all faiths inside a Newcastle cathedral for an historic event as part of the holy month of Ramadan.

Hundreds gathered at St Nicholas Cathedral on Wednesday evening for a multi-faith service and the first time a North East Anglican cathedral has hosted such an event.

People from all faiths were welcomed for the “celebration of peace and unity” to mark the breaking of the fast observed by Muslims during Ramadan.

The Bishop of Newcastle, the Right Reverend Christine Hardman, and Acting Dean of Newcastle, the Venerable Geoff Miller, hosted a programme of events and speakers from 7.25pm.

Mrs Hardman outlined her hope the historic occasion would serve to show the “common purposes for peace and unity” across the city’s religious communities.

She added: “It is really important we each retain the distinctiveness of our own faiths. We’re going to learn from one another and share a meal together, we want to show Newcastle is a wonderful city. There are a lot of forces in society looking to exacerbate diversity in society. That is not the way - that’s not the city we want.”

The issue here is that as Christians, how can we be united with other faiths when they do not recognise Jesus as their Lord and Saviour. It seems that this Church along with others has watered down the Gospel so much that it is no Gospel at all.

Islam goes even further in demoting Jesus to a Prophet and does not recognise that Jesus is the son of God. They even have the inscription over some of their Mosques “God has no son” Therefore they are part of the Anti-Christ movement in these end times.

There is only one way to our Heavenly Father and that is through His son Jesus Christ. If there were other ways, what was the point of Jesus dying on the cross for our sins? The fact that many preachers are not standing on the word of God is further evidences that we are living in the last days.

As it says in 2 Timothy 4 “For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear.

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Science as Religion (#2)

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The impression we are given when we question some "scientific" theory is that science is beyond question, and we are stupid to question at all. Yet, real science is about asking questions and finding answers. Much that was once considered scientific truth has been thrown into the dust bin of history and replaced with new theories, many of which are also defective. Evolution is one such defective theory. You are not stupid to scrutinize and reject evolution on the basis of observable fact. Evolution is not fact, and it is not science. It is a doctrine of atheistic religion masquerading as science. Its time to see it for what it is.

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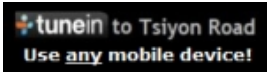
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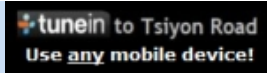
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