

Necessary Suffering

“But we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to the Gentiles.” 1 Corinthians 1:23, English Standard Version

1 Corinthians 1:23,24 – Why preach what some regarded _____?

The Claim: It Was Necessary For The Christ To Suffer

- A. How could Jesus be the _____ if He was put to _____ by the Romans? Why didn't God _____ these events?
- B. The claim as a central focus of early preaching:
 1. Luke 24:25-27 - _____ showed that Moses and the _____ spoke of how the Christ must suffer.
 2. Luke 24:44-46 – Jesus _____ their minds to _____ the Scriptures about His _____.
 3. Acts 17:2,3 – Paul _____ that it was necessary by _____ with them from the _____.

Did The Prophets Show The Suffering Of Christ?

- A. Acts 26:22,23 - _____ affirmed before King Agrippa that he was only speaking what the _____ and _____ said.
- B. Samples of prophecies showing the Christ must suffer:
 1. Isaiah 53:4-6 – “My servant” would be _____ by God, and would be _____ for our transgressions.
 2. Psalm 22:16-18 – His hands and _____ were _____, and His _____ was dividing by _____ of lots.
 3. Zechariah 12:10 - _____ applied this prophecy to Himself (John 19:37). It happened just as the prophet had predicted.
 4. Zechariah 13:7 – In Matthew 21:42 _____ showed how the _____ would be struck and the _____ scattered.
 5. Psalm 118:22 – The _____ would reject the stone that would become the _____.
 6. John 1:29 – John referred to the _____ lamb when pointing his _____ to Jesus.
- C. There are _____ other passages which speak of His sufferings.

Predictions of _____ in the future are _____ for humans to make. But God sees everything in the future, and provided for each of us a _____ for our _____.

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