

## OUR JESUS HAS WOUNDS

### I. [John 20:19-29](#) [Luke 24:36-49](#) [Isaiah 53:4-6](#) [1 Peter 2:24](#) [Revelation 5:1-14](#)

**A. He is risen! *He is risen indeed!*** Risen from what? The dead! Jesus was executed on a cross, died, and was buried. But then He rose! Many talk of Jesus' love, mercy, and grace. (*And so they should!*) But some folks talk of Jesus in such away as to leave out the suffering-servant part; leave out the shed blood part, the anguish of His crucifixion. We dare not leave Him off His cross nor leave Him inside His tomb!

**B. [John 20:19-29](#) (ESV) happens on Resurrection Day. Jesus has a glorified body. (Yours is on order!) 19** *On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." (Shalom be with you! Wholeness, wellness, goodness, completeness, blessing be with you!) 20* *When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. (He showed them what purchased their peace!)* *Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. 21* *Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent Me, even so I am sending you." 22* *And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. (A prophetic foretaste of what'll happen on Pentecost.) 23* *If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld." 24* *Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. 25* *So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into His side, I will never believe." 26* *Eight days later, (Sunday after Easter) His disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." 27* *Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see My hands; and put out your hand, and place it in My side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." 28* *Thomas answered Him, "My Lord and my God!" (A proclamation of Deity!) 29* *Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen Me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." (So have you believed?!)*

\* Luke's account is about to tell us more...

**C. [Luke 24:36-49](#) (ESV) 36** *As they were talking about these things, Jesus Himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!" 37* *But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. 38* *And He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? 39* *See My hands and My feet, that it is I Myself. Touch Me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." 40* *And when He had said this, He showed them His hands and His feet. 41* *And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, He said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" 42* *They gave Him a piece of broiled fish, 43* *and He took it and ate before them. 44* *Then He said to them, "These are My words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about Me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." 45* *Then He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, 46* *and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, 47* *and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in His name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. 48* *You are witnesses of these things. 49* *And behold, I am sending the promise of My Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."*

**D. So what is the WHY of Jesus' wounds? What did Jesus' suffering achieve? Let's revisit last Sunday's text. Isaiah 53:4-6 (ESV): 4 Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. 5 But He was pierced for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace, (Shalom!) and with His wounds we are healed. (Jesus became the remedy for sin & death.) 6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned--every one--to his own way and the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all. (2 Cor. 5:21) (1 Peter 2:24 (ESV) is yet another affirmation: "He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed." (His tomb is empty, His wounds remain, and your sins are forgiven!)**

**E. When you're praying any prayer in the name of Jesus, you're praying in the name of Him who bears the wounds that purchased your redemption. Whenever you're crying out from the depth of your soul, you're crying out to Him who also suffered. Likewise remember when you proclaim the love and forgiveness of Jesus, you're also proclaiming the One who absorbed God's wrath and punishment against your sin and then rose from the dead to prove it! You proclaim the One with wounds and those wounds loudly declare, "I-Love-You!"**

**\* (Story: Sign Language for: Jesus Loves You!)**

**F. So after Jesus' ascension to His throne, did His wounds disappear? Scars or no scars? Or does He now wear a robe to cover them up? Let's go to Revelation 5...**

**G. Jesus has many names in the Book of Revelation; they include: The Son of Man, The First and the Last; The Living One; The Son of God; The Faithful and True Witness; The Lion of the Tribe of Judah; The Root of David; The Shepherd; The Word of God; The King of kings and Lord of Lords; The Alpha and Omega; The Beginning and the End; The Bright Morning Star. But there is one more, The Lamb. And there is something unique about this Lamb--listen for it as I read...**

**H. Revelation 5:1-14 (NKJV) is written by the same John we began with: 1 And I saw in the right hand of Him who sat on the throne a scroll written inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals. 2 Then I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and to loose its seals?" 3 And no one in heaven or on the earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll, or to look at it. 4 So I wept much, because no one was found worthy to open and read the scroll, or to look at it. 5 But one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep. Behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has prevailed to open the scroll and to loose its seven seals." 6 And I looked, and behold, in the midst of the throne and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as though it had been slain, (OV: slaughtered) having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent out into all the earth. (How could John recognize this Lamb had been slain? Wounds!) 7 Then He came and took the scroll out of the right hand of Him who sat on the throne. 8 Now when He had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each having a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. 9 And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll, and to open its seals; for You were slain, and have redeemed us to God by Your blood out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation, 10 and have made us kings and priests to our God; and we shall reign on the earth." (Reign where?!) 11 Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels**

around the throne, the living creatures, and the elders; and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands, **12** saying with a loud voice: **(The epic chorus continues!)** “Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom, and strength and honor and glory and blessing!” **13** And every creature which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, I heard saying: “Blessing and honor and glory and power be to Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, forever and ever!” **14** Then the four living creatures said, “Amen!” And the twenty-four elders fell down and worshiped Him who lives forever and ever.

**I. There's a stanza in the great hymn, *Crown Him with Many Crowns* that reads:**

Crown Him the Lord of Love:  
Behold His hands and side;  
Rich wounds yet visible above  
In beauty glorified:  
No angel in the sky  
Can fully bear that sight,  
But downward bends his burning eye  
At mysteries so bright.

**J. Our Jesus is the Lamb of God who came to take away the sins of man! Our Jesus is the Lamb of God who was *slain* but who reigns on High! Our Jesus was the Lamb of God who alone was qualified to open the seals on that great heavenly scroll, the scroll that revealed the covenantal will and purposes of God; the scroll that contained the redemptive history, legacy, and glorious destiny for God's beloved people! I pray that includes you! Our Jesus has wounds and they'll forever remind us of what it took to make us His! There is no greater Love in all the universe; no Love more amazing than this! He is risen! *He is risen indeed!***

\* Close with Prayer...

## **Scriptures, Videos, & Bonus Stuff**

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when He had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each having a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. **9** And they sang a new song, saying: *“You are worthy to take the scroll, and to open its seals; for You were slain, and have redeemed us to God by Your blood Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation, **10** and have made us kings and priests to our God; and we shall reign on the earth.”* **11** Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne, the living creatures, and the elders; and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands, **12** saying with a loud voice: *“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom, and strength and honor and glory and blessing!”* **13** And every creature which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, I heard saying: *“Blessing and honor and glory and power be to Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, forever and ever!”* **14** Then the four living creatures said, “Amen!” And the twenty-four elders fell down and worshiped Him who lives forever and ever.

### [Video Clips & Important Articles](#)

**The Wounds of Jesus - Sermon by Charles Spurgeon**

<https://www.spurgeon.org/resource-library/sermons/the-wounds-of-jesus#flipbook/>

**Why Jesus Kept His Scars - Matt Maher**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tlOehgsDvMI>

**"Crown Him with Many Crowns" - Lily&River**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YuMh\\_ept-Js](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YuMh_ept-Js)

**The Mystery of the Passover - Dr. Timothy Keller**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-E4qKNY7orM>

### [Bonus Stuff](#)

#### [Psalm 22:1-31 \(ESV\)](#)

***To the choirmaster: according to The Doe of the Dawn. A Psalm of David.***

**1** My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me? Why are You so far from saving Me, from the words of My groaning? **2** O My God, I cry by day, but You do not answer, and by night, but I find no rest. **3** Yet You are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel. **4** In You our fathers trusted; they trusted, and You delivered them. **5** To You they cried and were rescued; in You they trusted and were not put to shame. **6** But I am a worm and not a man, scorned by mankind and despised by the people. **7** All who see Me mock Me; they make mouths at Me; they wag their heads; **8** *“He trusts in the LORD; let Him deliver Him; let Him rescue Him, for He delights in Him!”* **9** Yet You are He who took Me from the womb; You made Me trust You at My mother's breasts. **10** On You was I cast from My birth, and from My mother's womb You have been My God. **11** Be not far from Me, for trouble is near, and there is none to help. **12** Many bulls encompass Me; strong bulls of Bashan surround Me; **13** they open wide their mouths at Me, like a ravaging and

roaring lion. **14** I am poured out like water, and all My bones are out of joint; My heart is like wax; it is melted within My breast; **15** My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and My tongue sticks to My jaws; You lay Me in the dust of death. **16** For dogs encompass Me; a company of evildoers encircles Me; they have pierced My hands and feet--**17** I can count all My bones--they stare and gloat over Me; **18** they divide My garments among them, and for My clothing they cast lots. **19** But You, O LORD, do not be far off! O You My help, come quickly to My aid! **20** Deliver My soul from the sword, My precious life from the power of the dog! **21** Save Me from the mouth of the lion! You have rescued Me from the horns of the wild oxen! **22** I will tell of Your name to My brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will praise You: **23** You who fear the LORD, praise Him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify Him, and stand in awe of Him, all you offspring of Israel! **24** For He has not despised or abhorred the affliction of the afflicted, and He has not hidden His face from Him, but has heard, when He cried to Him. **25** From You comes My praise in the great congregation; My vows I will perform before those who fear Him. **26** The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek Him shall praise the LORD! May your hearts live forever! **27** All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations shall worship before You. **28** For kingship belongs to the LORD, and He rules over the nations. **29** All the prosperous of the earth eat and worship; before Him shall bow all who go down to the dust, even the one who could not keep himself alive. **30** Posterity shall serve Him; it shall be told of the Lord to the coming generation; **31** they shall come and proclaim His righteousness to a people yet unborn, that He has done it.

### **1 Corinthians 15:1-58 (NIV)**

**1** Now, brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. **2** By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain. **3** For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, **4** that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, **5** and that He appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve. **6** After that, He appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. **7** Then He appeared to James, then to all the apostles, **8** and last of all He appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born. **9** For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. **10** But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them--yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. **11** Whether, then, it was I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed. **12** But if it is preached that Christ has been raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? **13** If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. **14** And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith. **15** More than that, we are then found to be false witnesses about God, for we have testified about God that He raised Christ from the dead. But He did not raise Him if in fact the dead are not raised. **16** For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either. **17** And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. **18** Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are

lost. **19** If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are to be pitied more than all men. **20** But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. **21** For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a Man. **22** For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. **23** But each in his own turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when He comes, those who belong to Him. **24** Then the end will come, when He hands over the kingdom to God the Father after He has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. **25** For He must reign until He has put all his enemies under His feet. **26** The last enemy to be destroyed is death. **27** For He “has put everything under His feet.” Now when it says that “everything” has been put under Him, it is clear that this does not include God Himself, who put everything under Christ. **28** When He has done this, then the Son Himself will be made subject to Him who put everything under Him, so that God may be all in all. **29** Now if there is no resurrection, what will those do who are baptized for the dead? If the dead are not raised at all, why are people baptized for them? **30** And as for us, why do we endanger ourselves every hour? **31** I die every day--I mean that, brothers--just as surely as I glory over you in Christ Jesus our Lord. **32** If I fought wild beasts in Ephesus for merely human reasons, what have I gained? If the dead are not raised, “Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die.” **33** Do not be misled: “Bad company corrupts good character.” **34** Come back to your senses as you ought, and stop sinning; for there are some who are ignorant of God--I say this to your shame. **35** But someone may ask, “How are the dead raised? With what kind of body will they come?” **36** How foolish! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. **37** When you sow, you do not plant the body that will be, but just a seed, perhaps of wheat or of something else. **38** But God gives it a body as He has determined, and to each kind of seed He gives its own body. **39** All flesh is not the same: Men have one kind of flesh, animals have another, birds another and fish another. **40** There are also heavenly bodies and there are earthly bodies; but the splendor of the heavenly bodies is one kind, and the splendor of the earthly bodies is another. **41** The sun has one kind of splendor, the moon another and the stars another; and star differs from star in splendor. **42** So will it be with the resurrection of the dead. The body that is sown is perishable, it is raised imperishable; **43** it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power; **44** it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body. **45** So it is written: “The first man Adam became a living being”; the last Adam, a life-giving spirit. **46** The spiritual did not come first, but the natural, and after that the spiritual. **47** The first man was of the dust of the earth, the second Man from heaven. **48** As was the earthly man, so are those who are of the earth; and as is the Man from heaven, so also are those who are of heaven. **49** And just as we have borne the likeness of the earthly man, so shall we bear the likeness of the Man from heaven. **50** I declare to you, brothers, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. **51** Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed-- **52** in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. **53** For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality. **54** When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: “Death has been swallowed up in victory.” **55** “Where, O death, is your

victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" **56** The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. **57** But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. **58** Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

**Quote by Charles Spurgeon**

"If the wounds had been removed we might have forgotten that there was a sacrifice; and, mayhap, next we might have forgotten that there was a priest. But the wounds are there: then there is a sacrifice, and there is a priest also, for He who is wounded is both Himself, the Sacrifice and the Priest."

**Quote by Leonard J. Vander Zee**

"I think Jesus showed his wounds as a badge of identity. He is the risen Lord who conquered death, and He is also the risen Savior who entered the depths of human pain and sin. He displayed the marks that proved His finished work. He showed the disciples what that work cost. The risen Christ has scars; being raised from the dead does not erase them. The scars of Good Friday are visible on Easter Sunday."

**Quote by G. Campbell Morgan**

"In Apocalyptic vision John saw "in the midst of the throne..a Lamb as though it had been slain." The reference is without question to Christ. Two things are manifest, first that He occupies the position of proper Deity. He is in the midst of the throne. Secondly that He retains the evidences of suffering. It is "a Lamb as though it had been slain." This double fact speaks forevermore of the deepest fact that lies behind man's redemption. This fact is that of the pain of God."

**Crown Him with Many Crowns - (1851 / 1852)**

Words by Matthew Bridges (1800-1894) Music by George Elvey (1816-1893)

Crown Him with many crowns,  
The Lamb upon His throne;  
Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns  
All music but its own!  
Awake, my soul, and sing  
Of Him who died for thee,  
And hail Him as thy matchless King  
Through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of Love:  
Behold His hands and side;  
Rich wounds yet visible above  
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Crown Him the Lord of peace,  
Whose power a scepter sways  
From pole to pole, that wars may cease,  
And all be prayer and praise.  
His reign shall know no end,  
And round His pierced feet  
Fair flowers of glory now extend  
Their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown Him the Lord of years,  
The Potentate of time.  
Creator of the rolling spheres,  
Ineffably sublime.  
All hail, Redeemer, hail!  
For Thou hast died for me;  
Thy praise shall never, never fail  
Throughout eternity.