

# **There They Crucified Him**

Sermon 91 in the Matthew Series

## **Matthew 27:33-37; Zechariah 6:12, 13**

### **I. Christ Crucified – Matt. 27:33-34**

A. Golgotha

B. The Drink He Refused

1. The OT Prophecy – Psalm 69:21

2. The purpose of the wine and gall

**John 18:11** – “Shall I not drink the cup which My Father has given me.”

### **II. Prophecies of Zechariah**

A. How can I be right with God? -- Zech 3:9

B. Jesus as Priest and King – Zech. 6:12-13

C. Palm Sunday plainly prophesied – Zech. 9:9

D. The Betrayal by Judas – Zech. 11:12-13

E. The Fountain and the Sword – Zech. 13:7-9

### III. Those Gathered at the Cross – Matt. 27:35-36

#### A. The Roman Soldiers v. 35-36 (Psalm 22:18)

John 19:23-24

#### B. The Religious Crowd

The mockers of the Sanhedrin.  
More numerous than the soldiers.  
More vicious than the soldiers.

#### C. The thieves that were on either side.

#### D. A small group of sympathetic believing women and John.

### IV. The Writing above the Cross -- Matthew 27:37

#### A. All Four Gospels tell us of the writing above the Cross.

Matthew: This is Jesus...The King of the Jews.  
Mark: The King of the Jews  
Luke: This is...The King of the Jews.  
John: ...Jesus of Nazareth, The King of the Jews.

Put it all together: *This is Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews.*

#### B. Pilates Motive – John 19:19-22

<sup>19</sup> Now Pilate wrote a title and put *it* on the cross. And the writing was:

JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS.

<sup>20</sup> Then many of the Jews read this title, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, Greek, *and* Latin.

<sup>21</sup> Therefore the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, “Do not write, ‘The King of the Jews,’ but, ‘He said, ‘I am the King of the Jews.’” ’ ”

<sup>22</sup> Pilate answered, “What I have written, I have written.”