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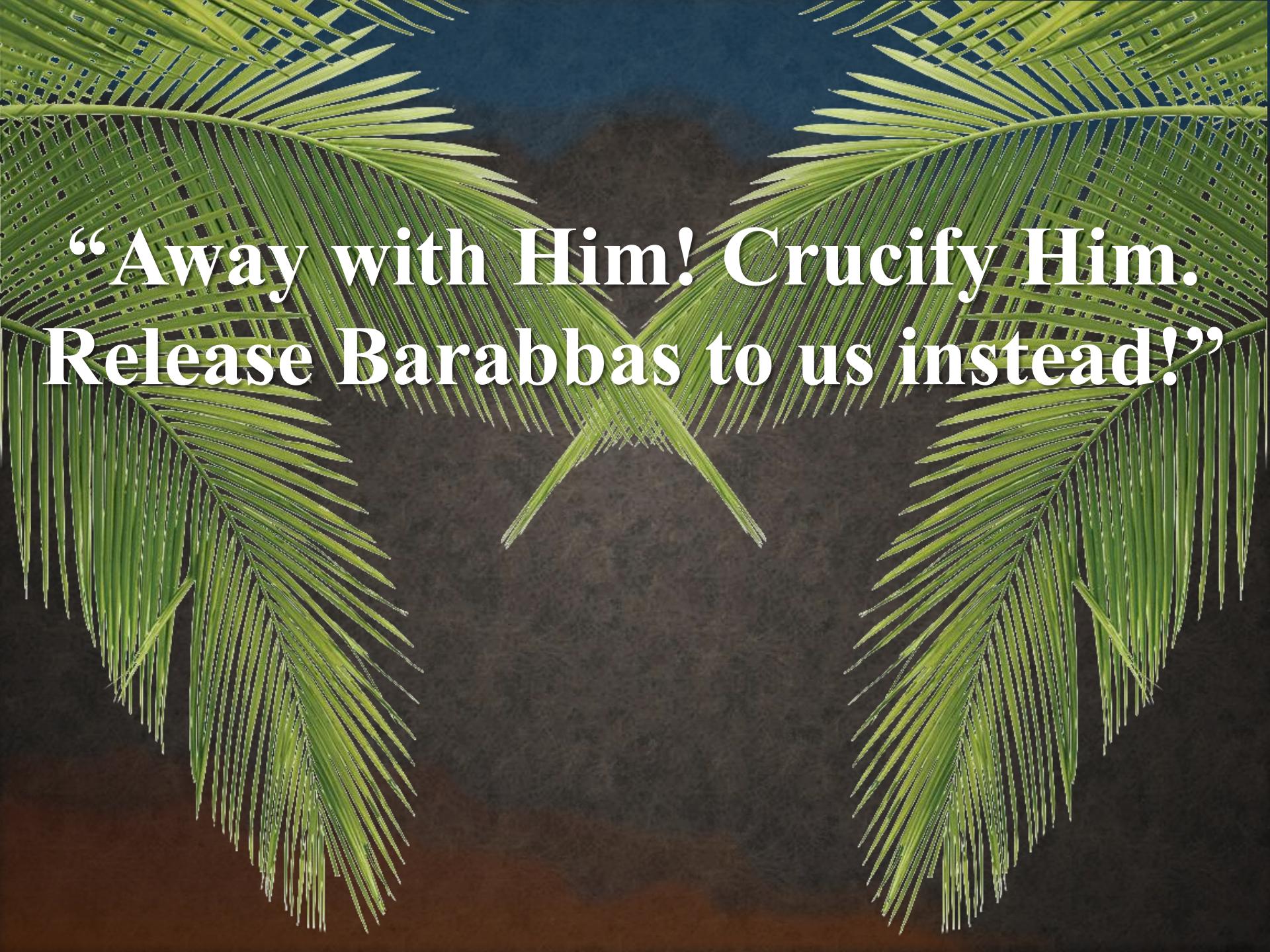
The background consists of several large, bright green palm fronds with distinct veins, set against a clear blue sky. The fronds are angled upwards and outwards from the left side of the frame.

'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!'





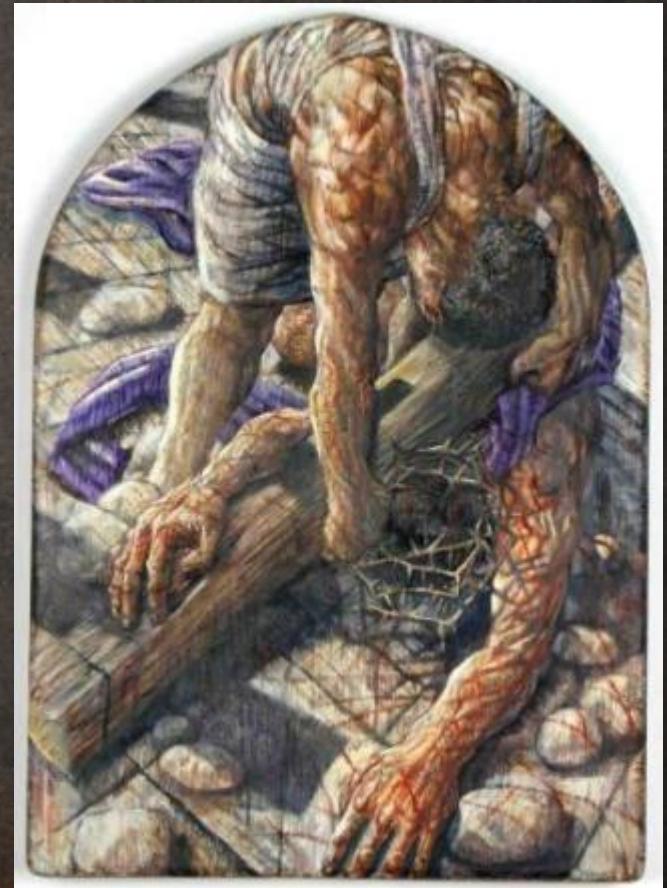




“Away with Him! Crucify Him.
Release Barabbas to us instead!”

Jesus' 7 Last Words

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26As the soldiers led Him away, they seized Simon from Cyrene, who was on his way in from the country, and put the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus.

33When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified Him there, along with the criminals—one on His right, the other on His left. **34**Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.” And they divided up His clothes by casting lots.

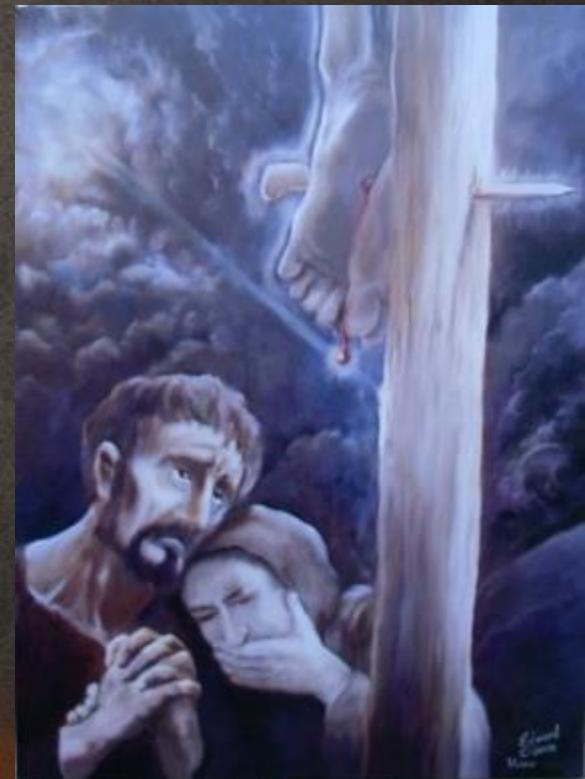
Luke 23:26, 33-34

“Father, Forgive Them...”



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25 Jesus' mother and His mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene stood near the cross. **26** When Jesus saw His mother and the disciple whom He loved standing nearby, He said to His mother, "Woman, here is your son." **27** Then He said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." And from that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

John 19:25-27

“Woman, here is your son!”



Jesus is God's son,
but also still Mary's



Jesus redefines
family



Jesus' family says,
“I will!”

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3. “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”



Mark 15:29-34

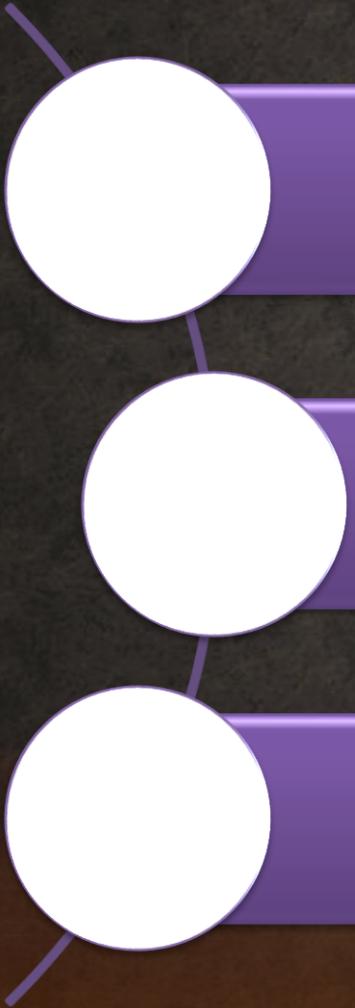
29 People walking by insulted Him, shaking their heads and saying, “Ha! So you were going to destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, were you? **30** Save yourself and come down from that cross!”

31 In the same way, the chief priests were making fun of Him among themselves, together with the legal experts. “He saved others,” they said, “but He can’t save Himself. **32** Let the Christ, the king of Israel, come down from the cross. Then we’ll see and believe.”

Mark 15:29-34

Even those who had been crucified with Jesus insulted him. ³³ From noon until three in the afternoon the whole earth was dark. ³⁴ At three, Jesus cried out with a loud shout, “Eloi, eloi, lama sabachthani,” which means, “My God, my God, why have you left me?”

“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”



Jesus knows what it feels like – We have a Savior who knows our deepest despair

**Jesus shows what costly love is –
Jesus calls us to show sacrificial love**

**Jesus turned to God in despair –
When we do, God spreads blessing**

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4. “Today You Will Be With Me in Paradise”



Luke 23:32, 39-43 (CEB)

23:32 They also led two other criminals to be executed with Jesus.

39 One of the criminals hanging next to Jesus insulted Him: “Aren’t you the Christ? Save yourself and us!”

40 Responding, the other criminal spoke harshly to Him, “Don’t you fear God, seeing that you’ve also been sentenced to die?”

Luke 23:32, 39-43 (CEB)

41 We are rightly condemned, for we are receiving the appropriate sentence for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong.” 42 Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”

43 Jesus replied, “I assure you that today you will be with me in paradise.”

“Today You Will Be With Me in Paradise”

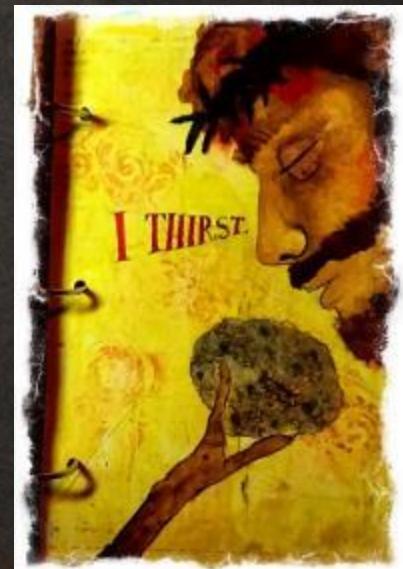
Loving
the
people
Jesus
loves

Which
criminal
will you
be?

Forever
in the
King’s
Garden!

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5. “I thirst!”



John 19:28-29 (CEB)

28 After this, knowing that everything was already completed, in order to fulfill the scripture, Jesus said, “I am thirsty.” **29** A jar full of sour wine was nearby, so they soaked a sponge in it, placed it on a hyssop branch, and held it up to His lips.

“I’m thirsty!”

Sometimes the hard way is the right way.

Jesus really died.

Jesus completed everything for salvation.

What am I truly thirsty for?

We are to thirst for the living God.

Give a drink to those who are thirsty.

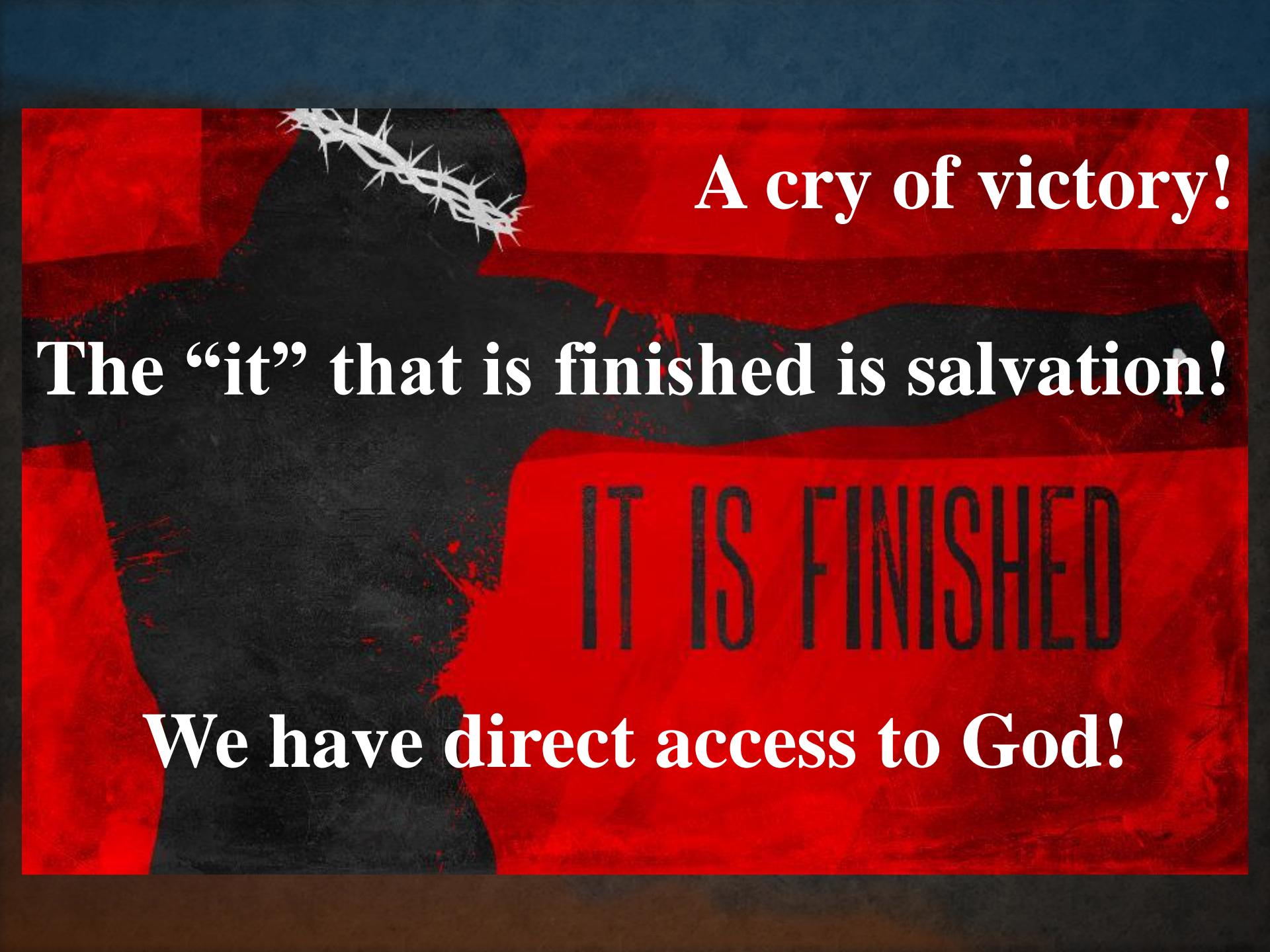
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John 19:30 “When He had received the sour wine, Jesus said, ‘It is completed.’ Bowing His head, He gave up His life.” (CEB)

Mark 15:38-39 “The curtain of the sanctuary was torn in two from top to bottom. When the centurion, who stood facing Jesus, saw how He died, he said, ‘This man was certainly God’s Son.’” (CEB)



A cry of victory!

The “it” that is finished is salvation!

IT IS FINISHED

We have direct access to God!

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7. “Father, Into Your Hands I Commit My Spirit”

Luke 23:44-47

44 It was now about noon, and darkness covered the whole earth until about three o'clock, **45** while the sun stopped shining. Then the curtain in the sanctuary tore down the middle.

46 Crying out in a loud voice, Jesus said, "Father, into your hands I entrust my life." **47** After He said this, He breathed for the last time.

Psalm 31:1-5

- 1 I take refuge in you, Lord. Please never let me be put to shame. Rescue me by your righteousness!**
- 2 Listen closely to me! Deliver me quickly; be a rock that protects me; Be a strong fortress that saves me!**

Psalm 31:1-5

- 3 You are definitely my rock and my fortress.
Guide me and lead me for the sake of
your good name!**
- 4 Get me out of this net that's been set for me
Because you are my protective fortress.**
- 5 I entrust my spirit into your hands;
You, Lord, God of faithfulness—you have
saved me.**

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