

“Jesus, Man of Action”

Mark 15:1-15:47

*And Jesus uttered a loud cry, and breathed His last.
And the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom.*

Mark 15:37-38, NAS

The Outline

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The Words

Envy - φθόνος - a state of ill will toward someone because of some real or presumed advantage experienced by such a person: *envy, jealousy*.

Example: “... some people ... preach Christ ... because of envy and rivalry ...” Philippians 1:15. Expressions for “envy” or “jealousy” are often idiomatic, for example, “the heart burns” or “the stomach is hot.”

Scourge - φραγελλόω - inflict punishment after the pronouncement of a death sentence and prior to execution: *flog, scourge, beat with a whip*. The Roman scourge was a whip made of multiple leather thongs, with pieces of metal or bone embedded in it, in order to cause the most possible damage and pain.

Press into service - ἄγγαρεύω - to force civilians to carry a load for some distance. In New Testament times, Roman soldiers had the authority to enforce such service. The word is from ἄγγαρος which was a Persian messenger, with the authority to compel others to assist him.

Wine mixed with myrrh - ἐσμυρνισμένος οἶνος - wine drugged with myrrh and used as a stupefying potion: *myrrhed wine*. In general, it must be rendered by means of a phrase or a clause, for example, “wine which has been mixed with a drug called myrrh” or “wine mixed with a drug to reduce pain.”

The Quotations

Surely our griefs He Himself bore,
And our sorrows He carried;
Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken,
Smitten of God, and afflicted.

But He was pierced through for our transgressions,
He was crushed for our iniquities;
The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him,
And by His scourging we are healed.

All of us like sheep have gone astray,
Each of us has turned to his own way;
But the LORD has caused the iniquity of us all
To fall on Him.

He was oppressed and He was afflicted,
Yet He did not open His mouth;
Like a lamb that is led to slaughter,
And like a sheep that is silent before its shearers,
So He did not open His mouth.

- Isaiah 53:4-7, NAS

While being reviled, He did not revile in return; while suffering, He uttered no threats, but kept entrusting *Himself* to Him who judges righteously; and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed.

- 1 Peter 2:23-24, NAS