

# KNOWING JESUS, THE BURIED SACRIFICE



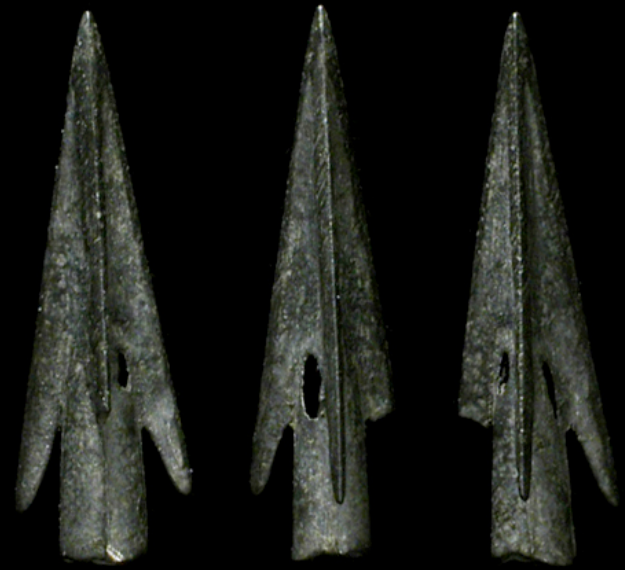
**JOHN 19:31-42**

**I. Before our sacrifice  
was buried, they had to  
make sure He was dead  
(John 19:31-34).**



- Why did the Jewish leaders want the legs of the three men to be broken?
- How does the reality of the death of Jesus affect you?

## II. Our buried sacrifice clearly strengthens our faith (v.35-37).



- How does the unbroken, crucified body of Christ affect your faith?
- How does prophecy about the unbroken body of Christ affect your faith?

(Exodus 12:46; Psalm 34:19-20)

### III. Men of faith risked their lives to bury our sacrifice (v.38-40).



- How much did Joseph of Arimathea risk by asking for and burying the body of Jesus?
- How much did Nicodemus risk by helping with the burial of Jesus?
- How much are we willing to risk by associating with this buried Savior?

**IV. Our Savior spent  
Friday night, Saturday  
and Sunday morning  
buried (v.41-42).**



- **What is the significance of the burial of Jesus (I Corinthians 15:3-4)?**
- **Where was the center of all spiritual focus while the body of Jesus was buried?**

**V. Jesus calls us to  
be buried with Him  
(Romans 6:3-5).**



- **Why is the burial of a Christian so significant?**
- **For us to follow Christ, what needs to be buried?**



**Call to Action:** To allow  
the burial of Christ to  
motivate us to bury  
the old man of sin.



- What thoughts go through your mind when you consider the burial of Jesus?
- How do you view Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus as they risked all for Jesus?
- Have you been united with Christ in the likeness of His death?

**-How can we help?**