#### TRUTH

#### Worth Dying For

# Jesus

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John 19:25-27, <sup>25</sup> Standing near the cross were Jesus' mother, and his mother's sister, Mary (the wife of Clopas), and Mary Magdalene. <sup>26</sup> When Jesus saw his mother standing there beside the disciple he loved, he said to her, "Dear woman, here is your son." <sup>27</sup> And he said to this disciple, "Here is your mother." And from then on this disciple took her into his home.

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John 19:30, When Jesus had tasted it, he said, "It is finished!" Then he bowed his head and released his spirit.

John 19:31-34, <sup>31</sup> It was the day of preparation, and the Jewish leaders didn't want the bodies hanging there the next day, which was the Sabbath (and a very special Sabbath, because it was the Passover).

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(John 19:31-34) So they asked Pilate to hasten their deaths by ordering that their legs be broken. Then their bodies could be taken down. <sup>32</sup> So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the two men crucified with Jesus. <sup>33</sup> But when they came to Jesus, they saw that he was already dead, so they didn't break his legs. <sup>34</sup> One of the soldiers, however, pierced his side with a spear, and immediately blood and water flowed out.

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Luke 24:5-7, <sup>5</sup> The women were terrified and bowed with their faces to the ground. Then the men asked, "Why are you looking among the dead for someone who is alive? <sup>6</sup> He isn't here! He is risen from the dead! Remember what he told you back in Galilee, <sup>7</sup> that the Son of Man must be betrayed into the hands of sinful men and be crucified, and that he would rise again on the third day."

#### 2. Jesus paid the price for our sins.

Colossians 2:13-14, <sup>13</sup> You were dead because of your sins and because your sinful nature was not yet cut away. Then God made you alive with Christ, for he forgave all our sins. <sup>14</sup> He canceled the record of the charges against us and took it away by nailing it to the cross.

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1 Cor. 1:30, God has united you with Christ Jesus. For our benefit God made him to be wisdom itself. Christ made us right with God; he made us pure and holy, and he freed us from sin.

3. There is salvation in no other name other than Jesus.

Acts 4:12, There is salvation in no one else! God has given no other name under heaven by which we must be saved.

John 14:6, Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me.

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1 Timothy 2:5-6, <sup>5</sup> For there is only one God and one Mediator who can reconcile God and humanity—the man Christ Jesus. <sup>6</sup> He gave his life to purchase freedom for everyone. This is the message God gave to the world at just the right time.

#### 4. Jesus ascended into heaven.

Luke 24:50-51, <sup>50</sup>Then Jesus led them to Bethany, and lifting his hands to heaven, he blessed them. <sup>51</sup>While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up to heaven.

Acts 2:33, Now he is exalted to the place of highest honor in heaven, at God's right hand

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Rev. 5:12, Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!

1 Peter 3:22, Now Christ has gone to heaven. He is seated in the place of honor next to God, and all the angels and authorities and powers accept his authority.

#### 5. Jesus is coming again.

Matt 24:26-27, <sup>26</sup> "So if someone tells you, 'Look, the Messiah is out in the desert,' don't bother to go and look. Or, 'Look, he is hiding here,' don't believe it! <sup>27</sup> For as the lightning flashes in the east and shines to the west, so it will be when the Son of Man comes.

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Matt 24:30-31, <sup>30</sup> And then at last, the sign that the Son of Man is coming will appear in the heavens, and there will be deep mourning among all the peoples of the earth. And they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. <sup>31</sup> And he will send out his angels with the mighty blast of a trumpet, and they will gather his chosen ones from all over the world—from the farthest ends of the earth and heaven.

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Matt 24:36, "However, no one knows the day or hour when these things will happen, not even the angels in heaven or the Son himself. Only the Father knows.

Matt 24:44, You also must be ready all the time, for the Son of Man will come when least expected.

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Matt. 25:31-33, <sup>31</sup> "But when the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit upon his glorious throne. <sup>32</sup> All the nations will be gathered in his presence, and he will separate the people as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. <sup>33</sup> He will place the sheep at his right hand and the goats at his left.

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Matt. 25:46, "And they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous will go into eternal life."