

The seven sayings of Jesus from the cross

- I. **The saying of Forgiveness (Luke 23:34)**
 - a. It's an offer of grace and mercy
 - b. Forgiveness is possible of any sin, even the murder of Jesus (1 Tim 1:13-14)
 - c. A demonstration of loving your enemies and praying for those who persecute you
- II. **The saying of Salvation (Luke 23:43)**
 - a. The criminal admitted and believed and confessed
 - b. Jesus is the kingdom
 - c. There is no purgatory or soul sleep (Phil 1:21-23; Heb 9:27; Luke 16)
 - d. Jesus is the conquering King
- III. **The saying of Relationship (John 19:26-27)**
 - a. The hour of Jesus (John 2:3-4)
 - b. Whose Son Is the Christ? (Matt 27:41-43, 22:41-45, 12:46-50)
 - c. Relationship to Jesus is not based on blood (John 1:11-13)
- IV. **The saying of Abandonment (Matthew 27:46; Mark 15:34)**
 - a. Jesus does not refer to God as "my God" during His earthly ministry
 - b. Psalm 22 prophesied the crucifixion in detail and subsequent resurrection (Psalm 22:24; 2 Cor 5:21)
- V. **The saying of Distress (John 19:28)**
 - a. Everything Jesus did was to fulfill the Scriptures, even down to such a small thing as thirst (Psalm 69:3, 21, 29)
 - b. Affliction, pain, and suffering are temporary, hope in God and Jesus (John 4:13-14)
- VI. **The saying of Triumph (John 19:30)**
 - a. Now Jesus is ready to die, all things to the hour have been finished
 - b. Jesus is in full control (John 10:17-18)
- VII. **The saying of Reunion (Luke 23:46)**
 - a. Jesus, is returning to the Father (Luke 9:31, 24:26; Psalm 31:5)
 - b. In doing this Jesus is a model for his followers (Acts 7:59).