

*The Gospel Transforms Lives*  
*Palm Sunday 2019*

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I. The **Trials** of Jesus convinces us of His **purpose**.

Matthew 26:59-68 –<sup>59</sup>The chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were looking for false testimony against Jesus so that they could put him to death,<sup>60</sup> but they could not find any, even though many false witnesses came forward. Finally, two who came forward<sup>61</sup> stated, “This man said, ‘I can destroy the temple of God and rebuild it in three days.’”<sup>62</sup> The high priest stood up and said to him, “Don’t you have an answer to what these men are testifying against you?”<sup>63</sup> But Jesus kept silent. The high priest said to him, “I charge you under oath by the living God: Tell us if you are the Messiah, the Son of God.”<sup>64</sup> “You have said it,” Jesus told him. “But I tell you, in the future you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of heaven.”<sup>65</sup> Then the high priest tore his robes and said, “He has blasphemed! Why do we still need witnesses? See, now you’ve heard the blasphemy.”<sup>66</sup> What is your decision?” They answered, “He deserves death!”<sup>67</sup> Then they spat in his face and beat him; others slapped him<sup>68</sup> and said, “Prophecy to us, Messiah! Who was it that hit you?” (CSB)

John 12:47 – If anyone hears my words and doesn’t keep them, I do not judge him; for I did not come to judge the world but to save the world. (CSB)

II. The **Death** of Jesus demonstrates His **passion**.

Romans 5:8 – But God proves his own love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (CSB)

Ephesians 1:7 – In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace (CSB)

III. The **Resurrection** of Jesus proves His **power**.

Romans 1:4 – and he was shown to be the Son of God when he was raised from the dead by the power of the Holy Spirit. He is Jesus Christ our Lord. (CSB)

Ephesians 1:19-20 – <sup>19</sup>and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the mighty working of his strength. <sup>20</sup>He exercised this power in Christ by raising him from the dead and seating him at his right hand in the heavens (CSB)

Thought For The Week:

What will you do this week with Jesus?

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