

Why Muslims Should Believe The Crucifixion of Christ



An Invitation to the Thinking Muslim

- The Bible says to love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul and MIND (Mt 22:37).
- The Bereans were honored because they looked into the Scriptures to see if what was taught is true (Acts 17)
- When Thomas doubted the resurrection, Jesus invited him to touch his wounds and see for himself the truth (John 20)

**Both Christians and Muslims
Believe God is Almighty and So
Far Above All that We cannot
Fathom His Greatness**

Both Christians and Muslims also recognize that there is a separation between God and man that needs to be bridged.

**But there is Great Difference on
Belief as to How Sinful Man Will
Bridge that Gap and Come into
Paradise**

Salvation in Islam

1) Good Works Must
Outweigh Bad Works

Angel on Each Shoulder Recording Everything

Surah Az-Zukhruf (43:80)

"Or do they think We do not hear their secrets and their private conversations? Yes [We do], and Our messengers are with them recording."

Surah Qaf (50:17–18)

"When the two receivers receive, seated on the right and on the left. Man does not utter any word except that with him is an observer prepared [to record]."

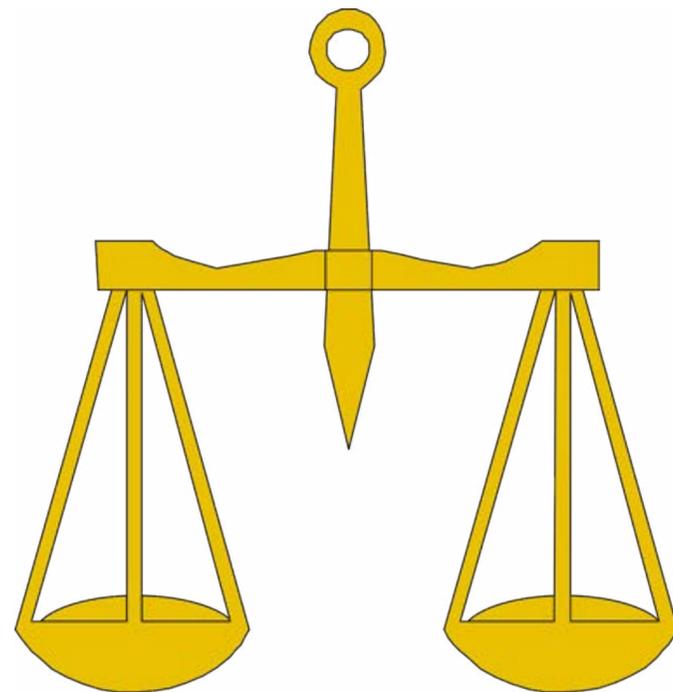
Surah Al-Infitar (82:10–12)

*"But verily, over you are appointed keepers —
Noble recorders —
They know whatever you do."*

Sins will be Weighed on the Scales of Judgment

Surah Al-Mu'minun (23:102-103)

"Then those whose scales are heavy — it is they who will be the successful. But those whose scales are light — it is they who have put themselves in loss, being in Hell, abiding eternally."





Problem #1 - No one Knows
What Good Works Achieve the
Most Favor and What Bad Works
Take it Away

Some say just to do good and stay away from the really bad sins such as murder and adultery.

But ONE simple and seemingly small act of disobedience caused Adam and Eve to be expelled from Paradise. How much more our acts of disobedience?

- Surah Al-Baqarah 2:35 —

“And We said, ‘O Adam, dwell, you and your wife, in Paradise, and eat therefrom freely wherever you will; but do not approach this tree, lest you be among the wrongdoers.’” [IslamAwakened +2](#)

- Surah Al-Baqarah 2:36 —

“But Satan caused them to slip from it and brought them out from that in which they were. And We said, ‘Descend from it, all of you. And when guidance comes to you from Me, whoever follows My guidance — there will be no fear concerning them, nor will they grieve.’” [Quran.com +2](#)

In that verse, the Qur’an states that Satan deceived (“slipped”) them, which led to their removal from the state they had been in (i.e., Paradise). [Quran.com +3](#)

- In another Surah, Al-A‘râf 7:24-25, Allah says to Adam and his wife:

“Get out, all of you, from this (Garden) — then when guidance comes to you from Me, whoever follows My guidance, there is no fear for them, nor will they grieve.” [Quran.com +2](#)

Problem #2 - Good Works Might not Even Matter

'A'isha, the mother of the believers, said that Allah's Messenger (ﷺ) was called to lead the funeral prayer of a child of the Ansar. I said:

Allah's Messenger, there is happiness for this child who is a bird from the birds of Paradise for it committed no sin nor has he reached the age when one can commit sin. He said: 'A'isha, per adventure, it may be otherwise, because God created for Paradise those who are fit for it while they were yet in their father's loins and created for Hell those who are to go to Hell. He created them for Hell while they were yet in their father's loins.

Reference

In-book reference

: Sahih Muslim 2662c

: Book 46, Hadith 47

Narrated Abu Sa`id Al-Khudri:

Once Allah's Messenger (ﷺ) went out to the Musalla (to offer the prayer) of `Id-al-Adha or Al-Fitr prayer. Then he passed by the women and said, "O women! Give alms, as I have seen that the majority of the dwellers of Hell-fire were you (women)." They asked, "Why is it so, O Allah's Messenger (ﷺ)?" He replied, "You curse frequently and are ungrateful to your husbands. I have not seen anyone more deficient in intelligence and religion than you. A cautious sensible man could be led astray by some of you." The women asked, "O Allah's Messenger (ﷺ)! What is deficient in our intelligence and religion?" He said, "Is not the evidence of two women equal to the witness of one man?" They replied in the affirmative. He said, "This is the deficiency in her intelligence. Isn't it true that a woman can neither pray nor fast during her menses?" The women replied in the affirmative. He said, "This is the deficiency in her religion."

Reference

In-book reference

: Sahih al-Bukhari 304

: Book 6, Hadith 9

Problem #3 - Women are Not Likely to Even be in Paradise



2) Die as a Martyr in Jihad

Indeed, Allah has purchased from the believers their lives and their properties [in exchange] for that they will have Paradise. They fight in the cause of Allah, so they kill and are killed.

— (Qur'an 9:111)

1) It is an Act of Disobedience for Muslims to Desire Death

Hammam b. Munabbih said:

Abu Huraira narrated to us ahadith from Allah's Messenger (ﷺ) and out of these one is that Allah's Messenger (ﷺ) said: None amongst you should make a request for death, and do not call for it before it comes, for when any one of you dies, he ceases (to do good) deeds and the life of a believer is not prolonged but for goodness.

Reference

In-book reference

: Sahih Muslim 2682

: Book 48, Hadith 15

2) No Jihad if your Parents are Still Alive - You Must Care for Them

Abdullah b. 'Amr reported that a person came to Allah's Apostle (ﷺ) and sought permission (to participate) in Jihad, whereupon he (the Holy Prophet) said:

Are your parents living? He said: Yes. Thereupon he (the Holy Prophet) said: You should put in your best efforts (in their) service.

Reference

: Sahih Muslim 2549a

Yazid b. Abu Habib reported that Na'im, the freed slave of Umm Salama, reported to him that 'Abdullah b. 'Amr b. 'As said:

There came to Allah's Apostle (ﷺ) a person and said: I owe allegiance to you for migration and Jihad seeking reward only from Allah. He (the Holy Prophet) said: Is one from amongst your parents living? He said: Yes, of course, both are living. He further asked: Do you want to seek reward from Allah? He said: Yes. Thereupon Allah's Messenger (ﷺ) said: Go back to your parents and accord them benevolent treatment.

Reference

In-book reference

: Sahih Muslim 2549d

: Book 45, Hadith 7

3) Martyrs - They will be Green Birds Swinging from the Chandeliers

It has been narrated on the authority of Masruq Who said:

We asked 'Abdullah about the Qur'anic verse:" Think not of those who are slain in Allah's way as dead. Nay, they are alive, finding their sustenance in the presence of their Lord.." (iii. 169). He said: We asked the meaning of the verse (from the Holy Prophet) who said: The souls, of the martyrs live in the bodies of green birds who have their nests in chandeliers hung from the throne of the Almighty. They eat the fruits of Paradise from wherever they like and then nestle in these chandeliers. Once their Lord cast a glance at them and said: Do ye want anything? They said: What more shall we desire? We eat the fruit of Paradise from wherever we like. Their Lord asked them the same question thrice. When they saw that they will continue to be asked and not left (without answering the question). they said: O Lord, we wish that Thou mayest return our souls to our bodies so that we may be slain in Thy way once again. When He (Allah) saw that they had no need, they were left (to their joy in heaven).

Sahih Muslim 1887



Islam's Prophet
did not know if he
was Saved

He Said He was Only a Warner

Sahih International

Say, "I am not something original among the messengers, nor do I know what will be done with me or with you. I only follow that which is revealed to me, and I am not but a clear warner."

Quran 46:9

Narrated 'Um Al-'Ala:

An Ansari woman who gave the pledge of allegiance to the Prophet (ﷺ) that the Ansar drew lots concerning the dwelling of the Emigrants. `Uthman bin Maz'un was decided to dwell with them (i.e. Um Al-'Ala's family), `Uthman fell ill and I nursed him till he died, and we covered him with his clothes. Then the Prophet (ﷺ) came to us and I (addressing the dead body) said, "O Abu As-Sa'ib, may Allah's Mercy be on you! I bear witness that Allah has honored you." On that the Prophet (ﷺ) said, "How do you know that Allah has honored him?" I replied, "I do not know. May my father and my mother be sacrificed for you, O Allah's Messenger (ﷺ)! But who else is worthy of it (if not `Uthman)?" He said, "As to him, by Allah, death has overtaken him, and I hope the best for him. By Allah, though I am the Apostle of Allah, yet I do not know what Allah will do to me," By Allah, I will never assert the piety of anyone after him. That made me sad, and when I slept I saw in a dream a flowing stream for `Uthman bin Maz'un. I went to Allah's Messenger (ﷺ) and told him of it. He remarked, "That symbolizes his (good) deeds."

He Says He Does not Know What Will Happen to Him at Death

[Sahih al-Bukhari 7003](#)

The image depicts two hikers with large backpacks and blindfolds walking on a narrow, high stone ledge. They are positioned on the right side of the frame, moving towards the left. The ledge is made of dark, rectangular stone blocks and is precariously balanced over a deep, misty canyon. The background shows a vast, rugged landscape with jagged mountains and a bright sunset or sunrise sky, casting a warm, golden light over the scene. The overall atmosphere is one of danger and uncertainty, as the hikers are navigating a treacherous path without sight.

“... if the blind lead
the blind, both will
fall into a pit.”

Jesus
(Mt 15:14)

Salvation in Christianity

Salvation is Gift to those who accept it,
because Jesus, the sinless Son of God, was
Crucified for our Sins on the Cross

But The Quran says Jesus was NOT Crucified

That they said (in boast), "We killed Christ Jesus the son of Mary, the Messenger of Allah";- but they killed him not, nor crucified him, but so it was made to appear to them, and those who differ therein are full of doubts, with no (certain) knowledge, but only conjecture to follow, for of a surety they killed him not:-

Quran 4:157

The Gospel of Jesus - Salvation
Depends on the Crucifixion

**So Why Should Christians and
Muslims Believe Jesus Died by
Crucifixion??**

Because of the Evidence:



1) The Crucifixion
was Prophesied in
the Old Testament

1 Details of the Crucifixion

Psalm 22
(Written 1000 BC)

Psalm 22 – Prophecy of the Cross

New Testament Fulfillment



My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? (22:1)

Matthew 27:46 ; Mark 15:34

I am a worm and not a man... all who see me mock me; they wag their heads... "He trusts in the Lord; let Him deliver him." (22:6–8)

Matthew 27:39–43 ; Luke 23:35

I am poured out like water... my heart is like wax. (22:14)

John 19:34 ; Luke 22:44

My strength is dried up... my tongue sticks to my jaws. (22:15)

John 19:28

They have pierced my hands and feet. (22:16)

John 19:18 ; John 20:25–27 ; Luke 24:39–40

I can count all my bones—they stare and gloat over me. (22:17)

John 19:36 ; Luke 23:35

They divide my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots. (22:18)

Matthew 27:35 ; John 19:23–24

They open wide their mouths at me, like a ravening and roaring lion. (22:13)

Matthew 27:41–44

He has not hidden his face from him, but has heard when he cried to him. (22:24)

Luke 23:46



2 Died for our Sins - Isaiah 53

700

Years before Christ that Isaiah wrote this prophecy of vicarious suffering

100%

Of Isaiah's detailed predictions fulfilled with perfect accuracy

† Isaiah 53 – Prophecy and Fulfillment

Isaiah 53 – Prophecy of the Suffering Servant

New Testament Fulfillment

Who has believed what he has heard from us? (53:1)

John 12:37-38 ; Romans 10:16

He grew up before him like a young plant, like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him. (53:2)

Luke 2:7 ; John 1:10-11

He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. (53:3)

Luke 4:28-29 ; John 1:11 ; John 7:5

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows. (53:4)

Matthew 8:16-17

He was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities... by his wounds we are healed. (53:5)

John 19:34 ; 1 Peter 2:24 ; Romans 4:25

All we like sheep have gone astray... the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. (53:6)

1 Peter 2:25 ; 2 Corinthians 5:21



He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth. (53:7)

Matthew 26:63 ; Matthew 27:12-14 ; Acts 8:32-33

By oppression and judgment he was taken away. (53:8)

Matthew 26:59-66 ; Luke 23:1-25

They made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death. (53:9)

Matthew 27:57-60 ; John 19:38-42

Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him; he has put him to grief. (53:10)

Acts 2:23 ; Philippians 2:8

When his soul makes an offering for guilt, he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days. (53:10-11)

Hebrews 9:28 ; Romans 5:18-19

Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied. (53:11)

John 19:30 ; Hebrews 12:2

He bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors. (53:12)

Luke 23:34 ; Romans 8:34 ; Hebrews 7:25

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Pierced for Us - Zech 12:10

Prophecy

Zechariah 12:10

"They will look on Me, the one they have pierced, And mourn for Him as one mourns for an only child."

Fulfillment

John 19:34-37

"One soldier pierced His side with a spear, bringing a sudden flow of blood and water... so that Scripture would be fulfilled."

4 Jesus will Rise from the Dead

- Hosea 6:2 ("on the third day he will raise us up")
- Jonah 1:17 (Jonah in the fish three days and three nights — see Matthew 12:40)
- Psalm 16:10 ("you will not let your Holy One see corruption")

“Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, and said to them, ‘Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and **on the third day rise from the dead.**’” (Jesus - Luke 24:45-46).

If Islam's Prophet is Prophesied in the Bible (Deut 18) as muslims say, then he also needed to have

- 1) Died by crucifixion according to the Scriptures - Ps 22, Is 53: Zech 12:10
- 2) Paid for our sins according to the Scriptures (which means he must be perfect) — Dan 9:24; Is 53:5-6, 8, 10,11-12; Zech 13:1
- 3) Rose again from the dead according to the Scriptures - Ps 16:10 (Acts 2:31-32); Is 53:10-11; Hosea 6:1-2)





1) The Crucifixion
was Prophesied in
the Old Testament



2) The Angels Testify to Jesus' Crucifixion

The Angel Gabriel to Daniel

Daniel 9:26

"And after the sixty-two weeks, **an anointed one shall be cut off and shall have nothing**. And the people of the prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. Its end shall come with a flood, and to the end there shall be war; desolations are decreed."



Angel at the Tomb of Jesus

Matthew 28:5

"But the angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid, for I know that **you seek Jesus who was crucified.**'"



Angel in the Vision to John

Revelation 11:8

“...where their Lord was crucified.”



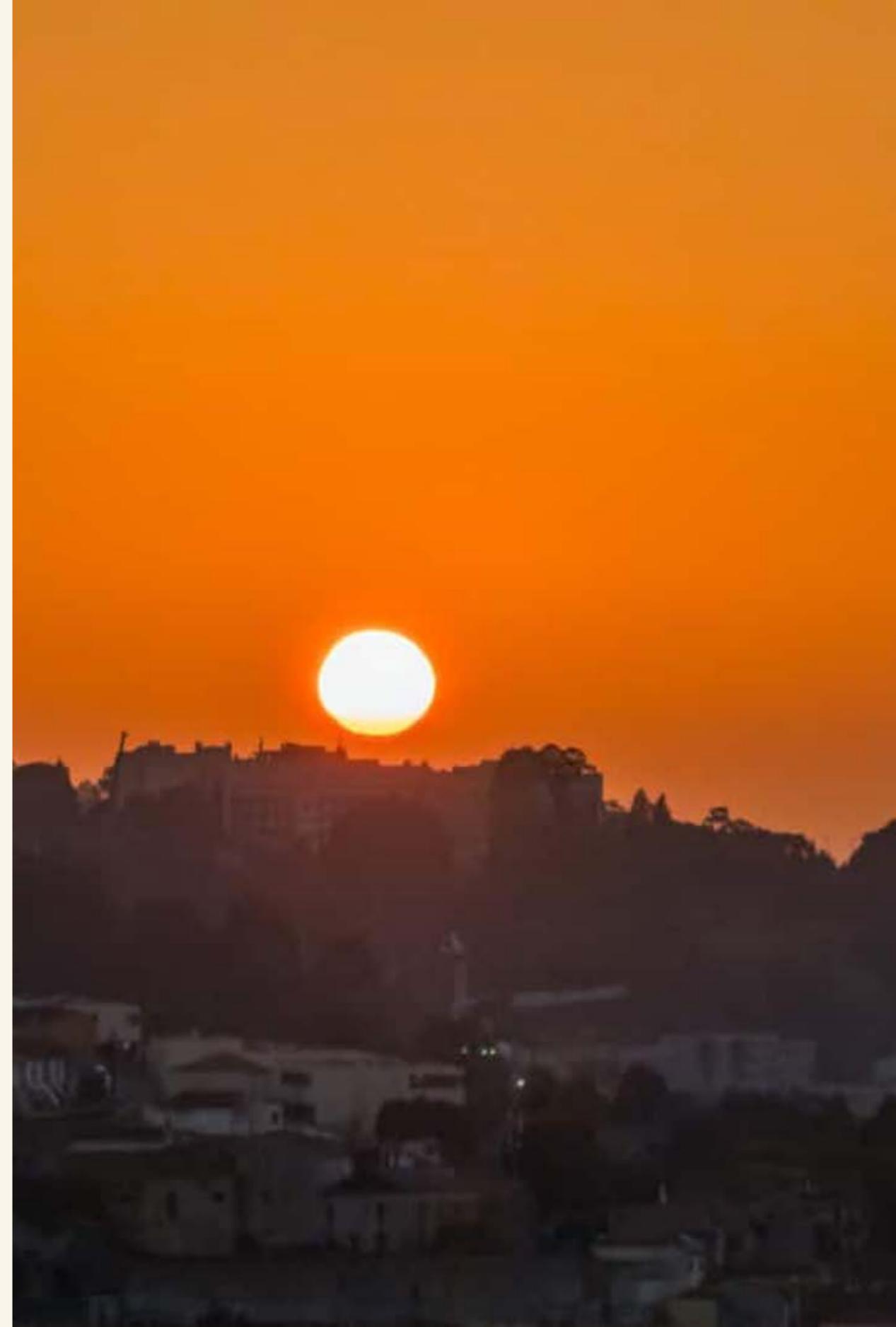


3) Jesus Himself Prophesied His Death by Crucifixion

Matthew 16:21

"From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, **and be killed,** and on the third day be raised."

— English Standard Version (ESV)





Matthew 26:2

"You know that after two days the Passover is coming, and the Son of Man will be delivered up to be **crucified**."

— English Standard Version

Christ's final prediction, spoken just days before His arrest, fulfilling centuries of prophecy and His own repeated warnings to His disciples.



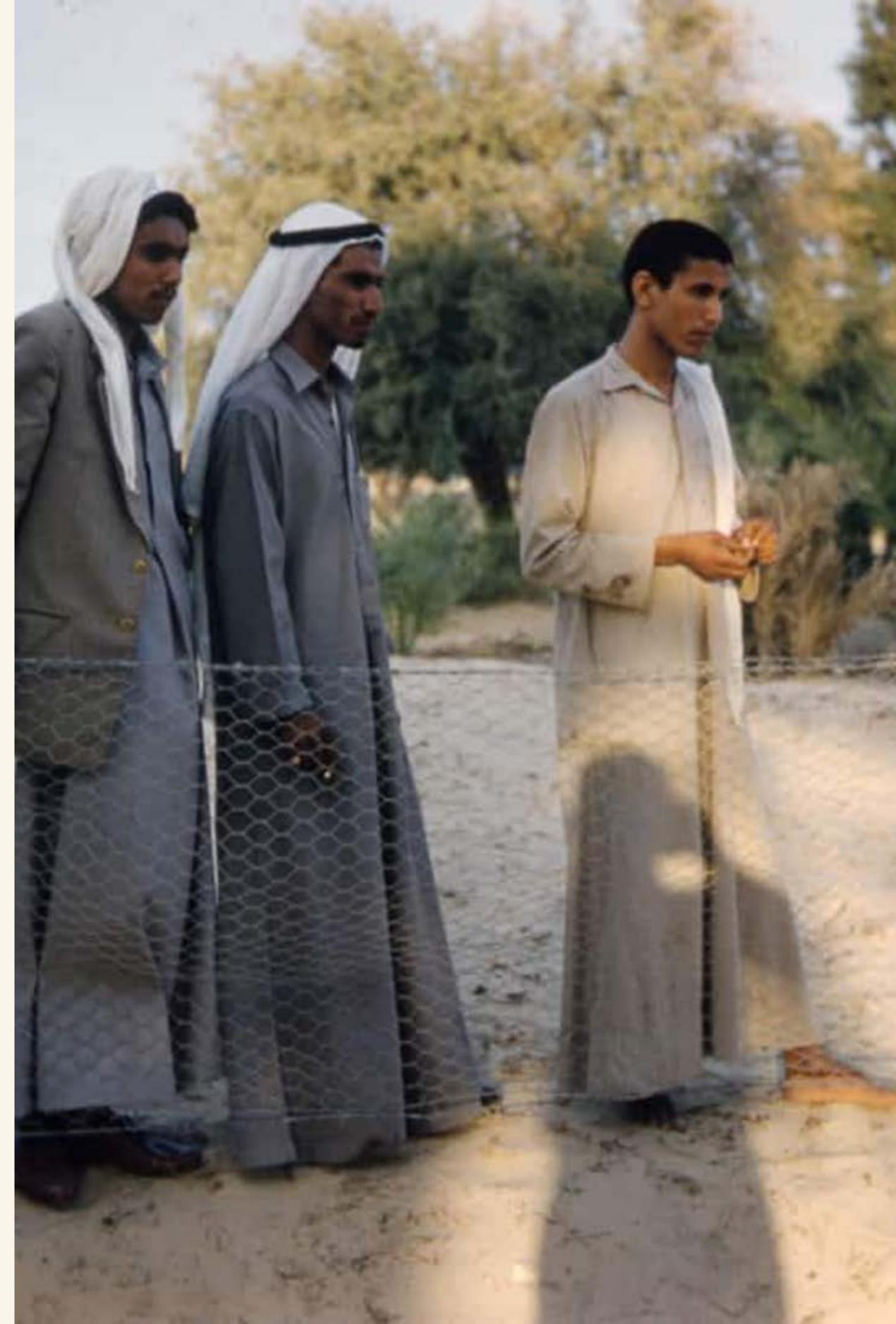
Matthew 20:18-19

“See, we are going up to Jerusalem. And the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles to be **mocked and flogged and crucified**, and he will be **raised on the third day.**”

Mark 8:31

"He then began to teach them that the **Son of Man** must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that **he must be killed** and after three days **rise again**."

— New International Version





Mark 9:31

"For he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and **they will kill him**. And when he is killed, **after three days he will rise.**"

— English Standard Version



Mark 10:33-34

““See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and **the Son of Man will be delivered over** to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. **And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him.** And after three days he will rise.””

— English Standard Version

Luke 9:22

"The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and **he must be killed** and on the third day be raised to life."

— New International Version



Luke 18:31-33

"And taking the twelve, he said to them, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and everything that is written about the Son of Man by the prophets will be accomplished. For he will be delivered over to the Gentiles and will be mocked and shamefully treated and spit upon. And after flogging him, **they will kill him, and on the third day he will rise.**"

— English Standard Version



4) The Cross as God's Plan for Redemption of Mankind

A lit candle in a glass holder sits on a wooden desk next to an open book. The scene is dimly lit, with the candle providing the primary light source. The background is dark and out of focus.

Acts 2:23 (ESV)

This Jesus, delivered up according to the **definite plan** and **foreknowledge of God**, you **crucified** and killed by the hands of lawless men.

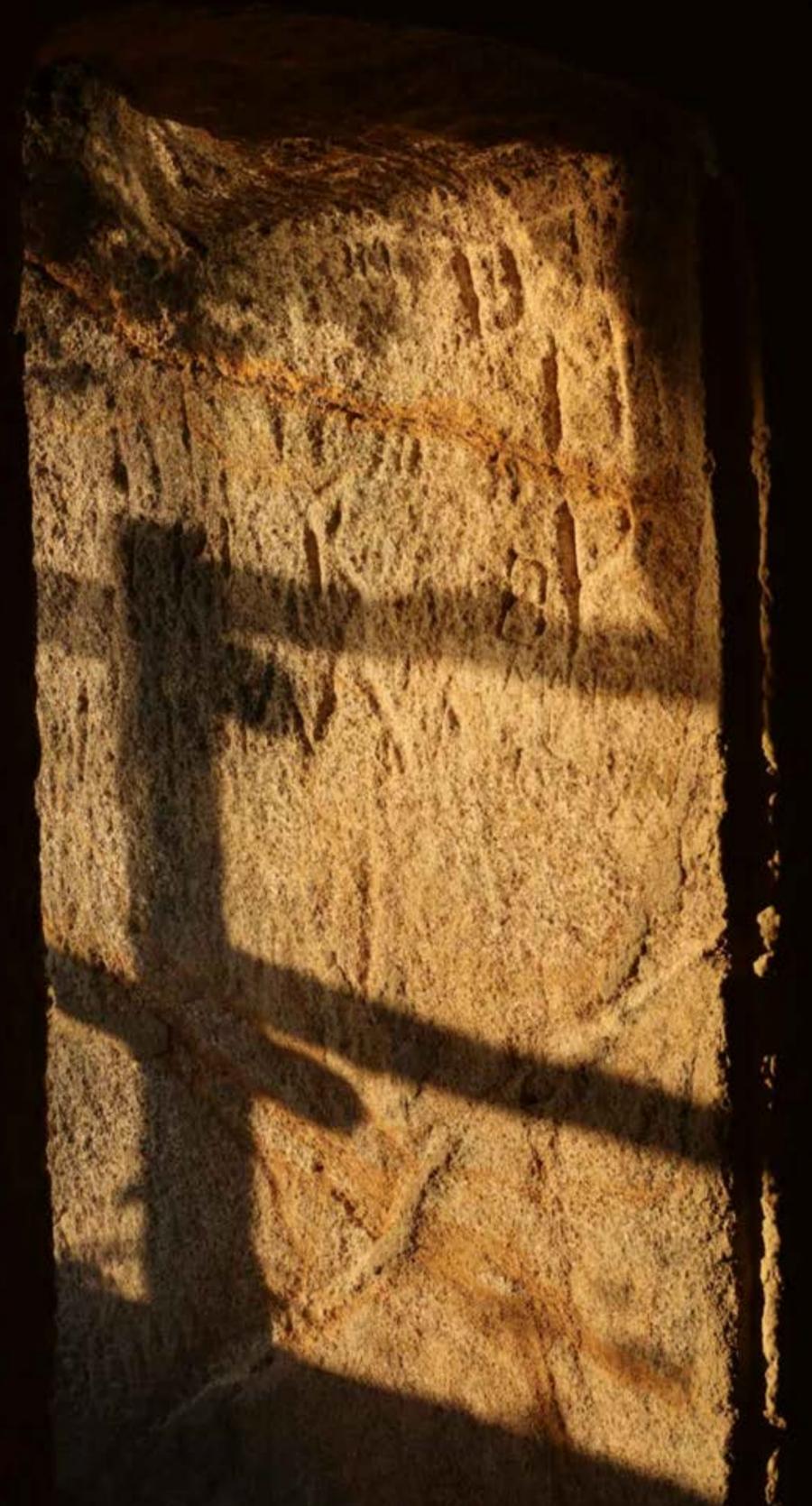


Acts 4:27-28 (ESV)

For truly in this city there were gathered together against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed, both **Herod and Pontius Pilate**, along with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel, to do whatever **your hand and your plan had predestined** to take place.

5) Eyewitnesses and Interview of Eyewitnesses to the Crucifixion

The Gospels Writers' Testimony



Matthew: The Tax Collector Who Followed Jesus



Matthew's Calling

"As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he rose and followed him."

— **Matthew 9:9**



Eyewitness Account

Matthew's Gospel records Jesus' trial and crucifixion with meticulous detail, providing firsthand testimony of the events at Golgotha (Matthew 27:1-2, 27:11-26).





Mark: The Gospel of Peter's Interpreter

Mark's vivid narrative in Mark 15:21-41 captures the crucifixion with striking detail, reflecting his close connection to Peter, an eyewitness apostle.

1

The Journey to Golgotha

"They compelled a passerby, Simon of Cyrene... to carry his cross." — **Mark 15:21**

2

Supernatural Darkness

"When the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour." — **Mark 15:33**

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The Final Moments

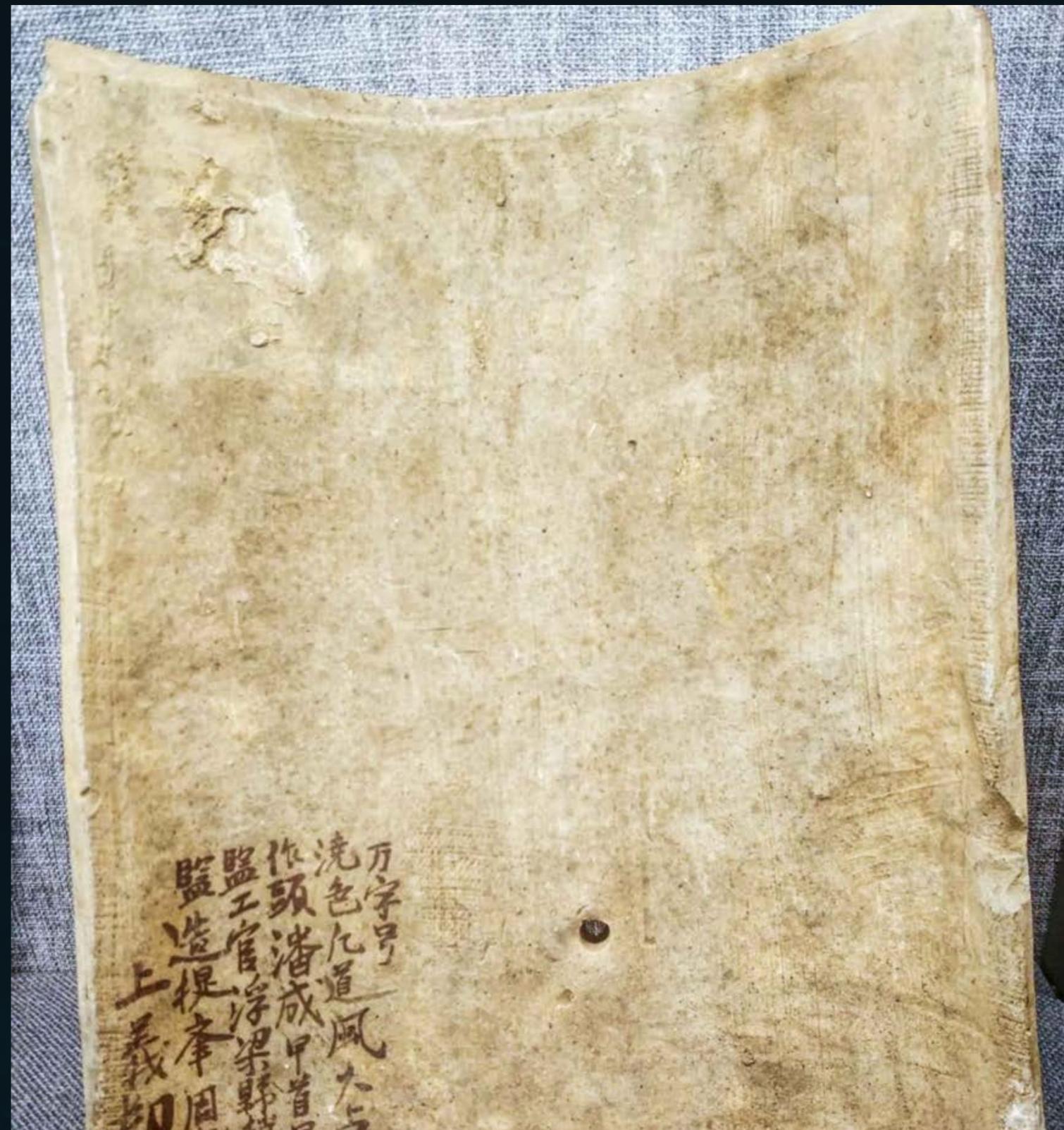
"Jesus uttered a loud cry and breathed his last." Witnessed by soldiers and women who followed Jesus. — **Mark 15:34-37**

Luke: The Physician and Careful Historian

"Many have undertaken to draw up an account of the things that have been fulfilled among us, just as they were handed down to us by those who from the first were eyewitnesses."

— Luke 1:1-2

Luke meticulously investigated eyewitness accounts to ensure accuracy and historical reliability.



John: The Beloved Disciple at the Cross

Present at the Cross

John 19:25–37 places John at the foot of the cross, witnessing Jesus' final moments, His words to His mother, and the piercing of His side—details only an eyewitness could provide.

Testimony of Truth

"He who has seen has testified, and his testimony is true; and he knows that he is telling the truth, so that you also may believe."

— John 19:35



The Apostolic Authority of the Gospel Writers

Peter's Eyewitness Declaration

"For we did not follow cleverly devised stories when we told you about the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were **eyewitnesses of his majesty.**"

— 2 Peter 1:16

The Resurrection Eyewitnesses Confirm the Crucifixion

500+

Resurrection Witnesses

Over 500 people saw the risen Jesus, providing overwhelming testimony to His death and resurrection.

— 1 Corinthians 15:6

The same eyewitnesses who saw the crucifixion also testified to the resurrection, creating an unbreakable chain of evidence from death to life.

Acts 2:32; John 20:24-29





The Crucifixion Scene: Consistent Eyewitness Details

All four Gospel writers record remarkably consistent details that only eyewitnesses could verify:

Location

Jesus crucified at Golgotha, "Place of the Skull"

Matthew 27:33; Mark 15:22; John 19:17

Mockery

Crowds and religious leaders mocked Jesus on the cross

Matthew 27:39-44; Mark 15:29-32

Darkness

Supernatural darkness from noon to 3 pm covered the land

Mark 15:33; Luke 23:44

Final Moments

Jesus' last words and death witnessed by soldiers and women

John 19:28-30; Luke 23:46



6) Each Apostle (except John) died terrible deaths proclaiming the Crucifixion

People do not die horrible deaths for what they think is a lie. They die believing that something is true.



Peter

Crucified upside down in Rome

Peter requested to be crucified inverted, feeling unworthy to die as Christ did.



Andrew

**Crucified on an X-shaped cross in
Greece**

The distinctive saltire cross became his enduring symbol throughout Christian history.



James, Son of Zebedee

Executed by sword in Jerusalem

The first apostle to be martyred, killed by King Herod Agrippa.





Philip

Crucified or beheaded in Hierapolis

Historical accounts differ on Philip's execution method in modern-day Turkey.



Bartholomew

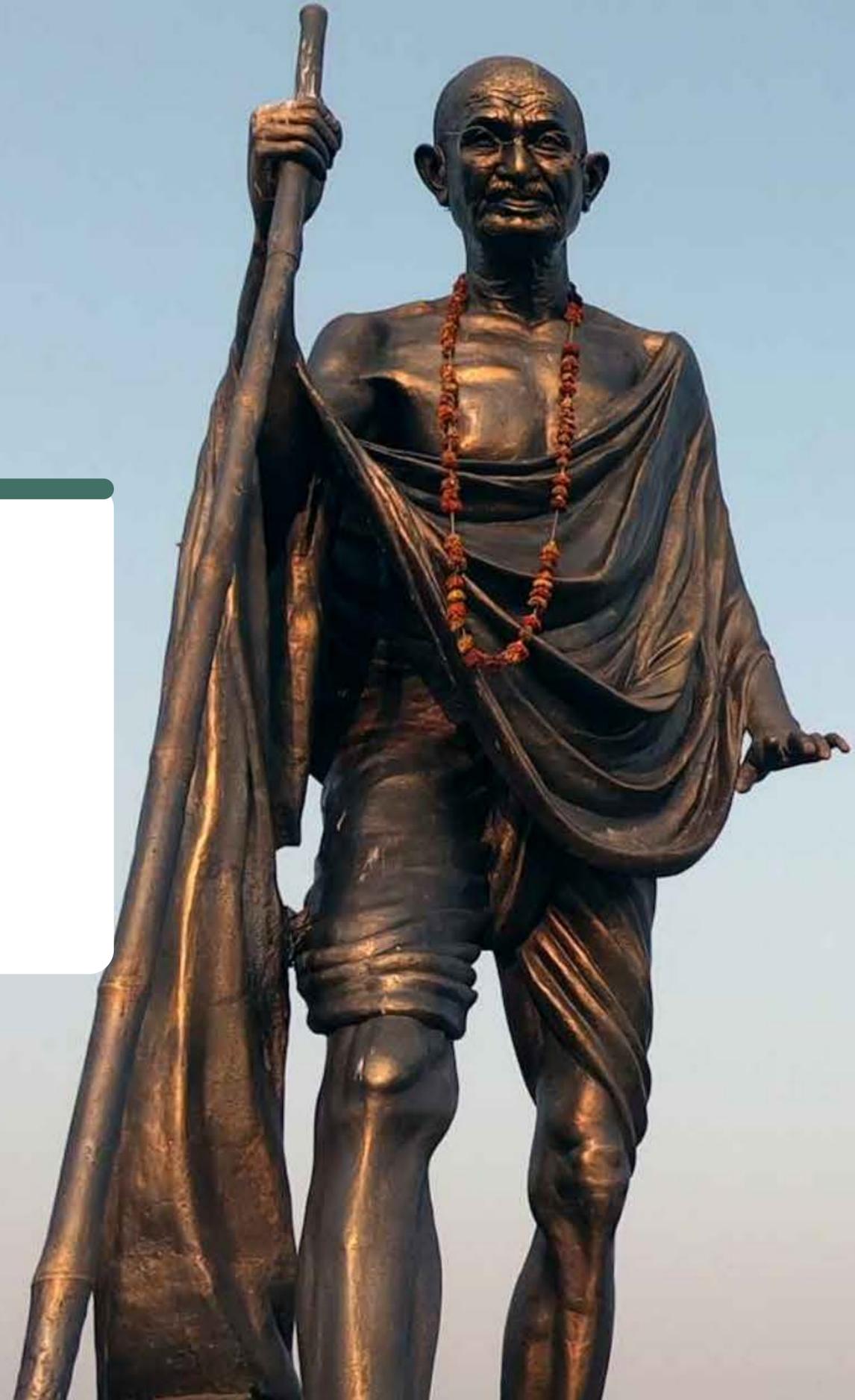
Flayed alive and beheaded in Armenia

Bartholomew endured the most brutal martyrdom, often depicted in art holding his own skin.

Thomas

Martyred by spear in India

Thomas traveled furthest east, establishing early Christianity in India before his death.



Matthew

Killed by stabbing in Ethiopia

The tax collector turned apostle met his end spreading the Gospel in Africa.



James, Son of Alphaeus

Stoned and clubbed to death in Jerusalem

Also called James the Less, he led the Jerusalem church before his violent martyrdom.





Jude (Thaddaeus)

Martyred in Persia or Armenia

Jude traveled with Simon the Zealot, facing martyrdom far from home.

Simon the Zealot

**Traditionally martyred,
details uncertain**

The former
revolutionary's death
remains shrouded in
mystery and conflicting
accounts.





Matthias

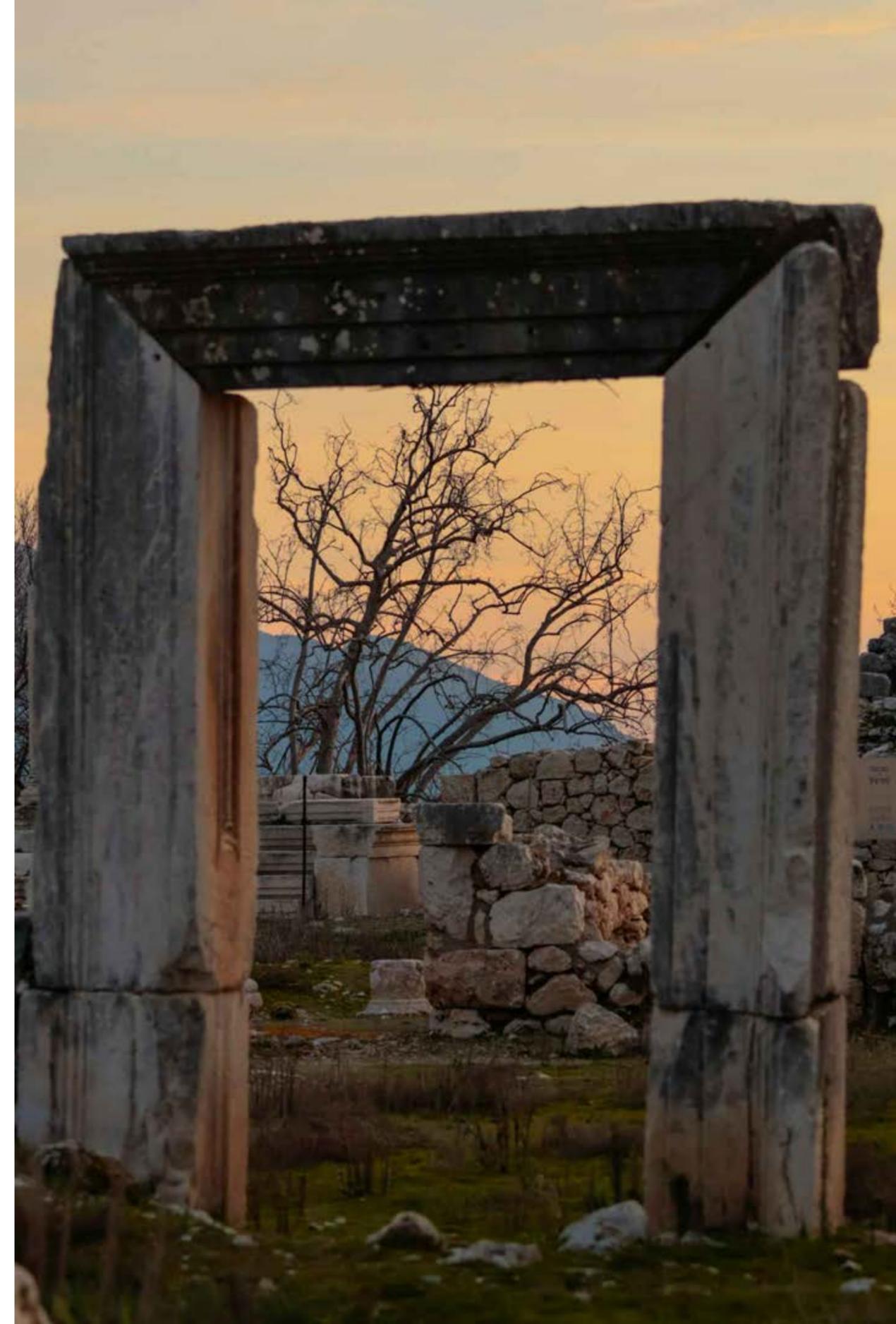
Stoned and beheaded (tradition)

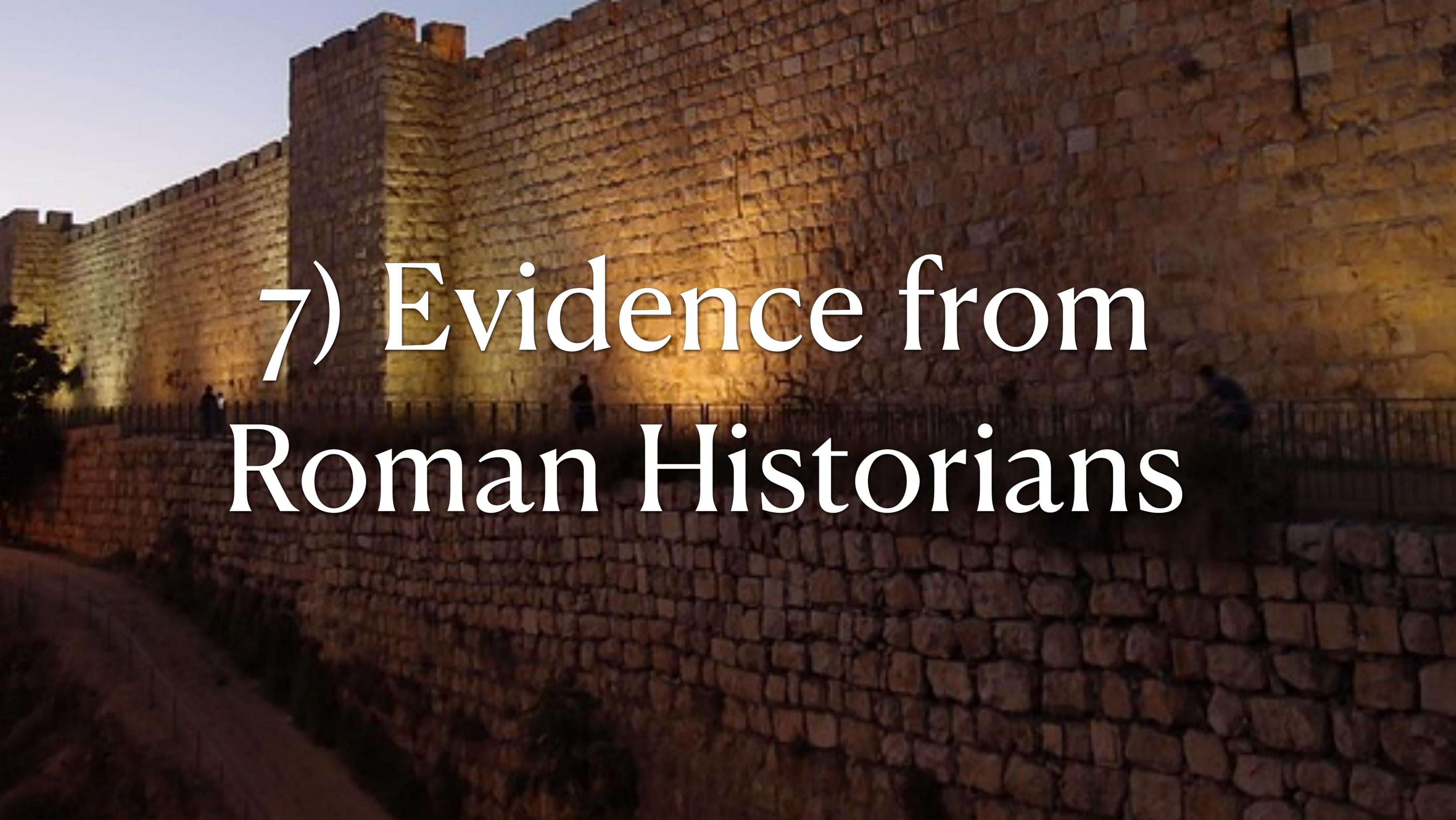
Chosen to replace Judas, Matthias completed the Twelve and died a martyr's death.

John

Died alone of old age in Ephesus

The only apostle who lived to old age, John wrote the Gospel and Revelation before his natural death.



A photograph of a large, ancient stone wall at night. The wall is constructed from large, roughly-hewn blocks of stone and is illuminated from below, creating a warm, golden glow. In the foreground, a dark path leads along the base of the wall, where several small figures of people can be seen walking. The sky is dark, and the overall atmosphere is historical and mysterious.

7) Evidence from Roman Historians



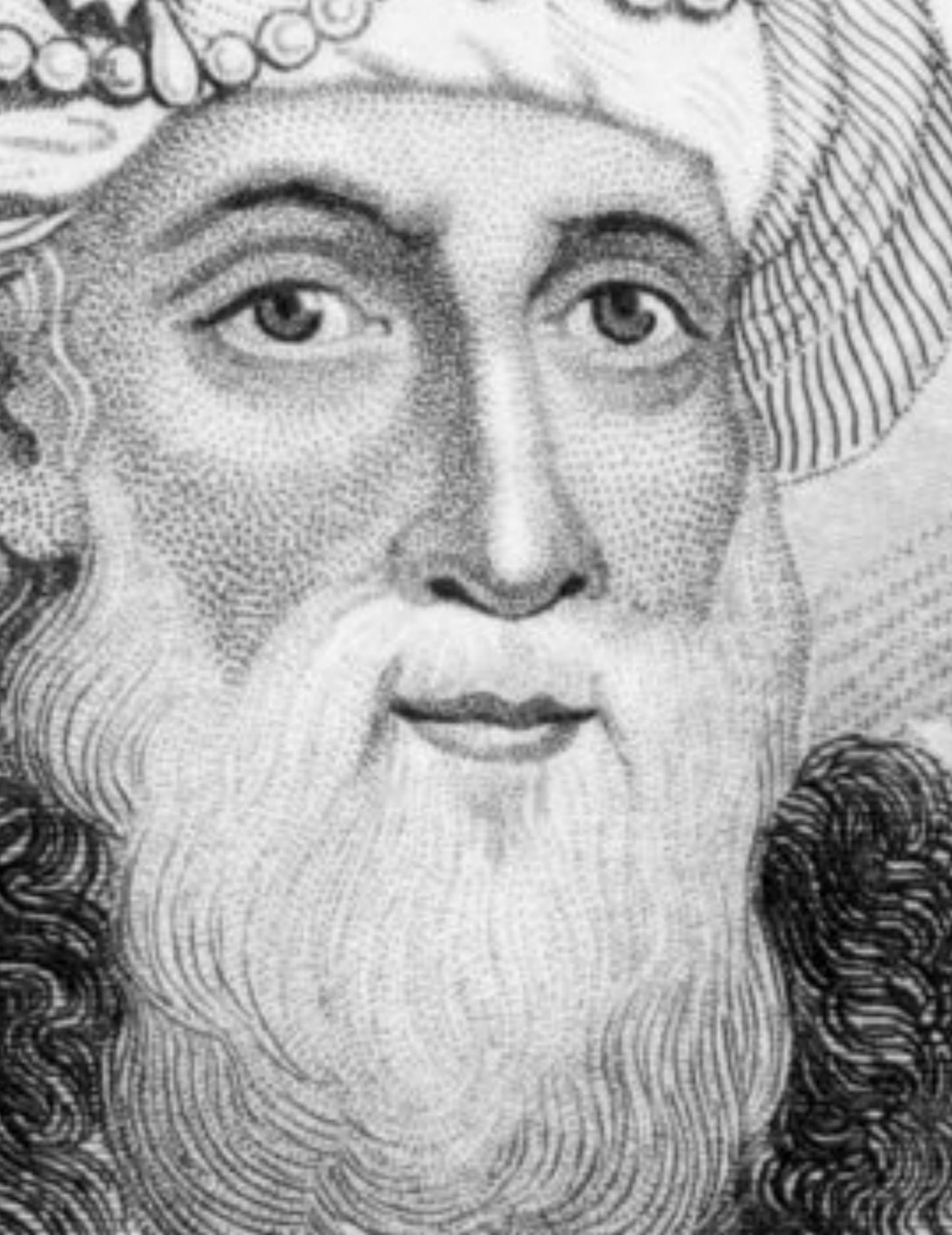
1. Tacitus - Roman Historian

“Christus, from whom the name [Christians] had its origin, suffered the extreme penalty during the reign of Tiberius at the hands of one of our procurators, Pontius Pilatus,

— Annals 15.44

Tacitus, *Annals XV.44*, in *The Annals: The Reigns of Tiberius, Claudius, and Nero*, trans. J. C. Yardley (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2008), 438.

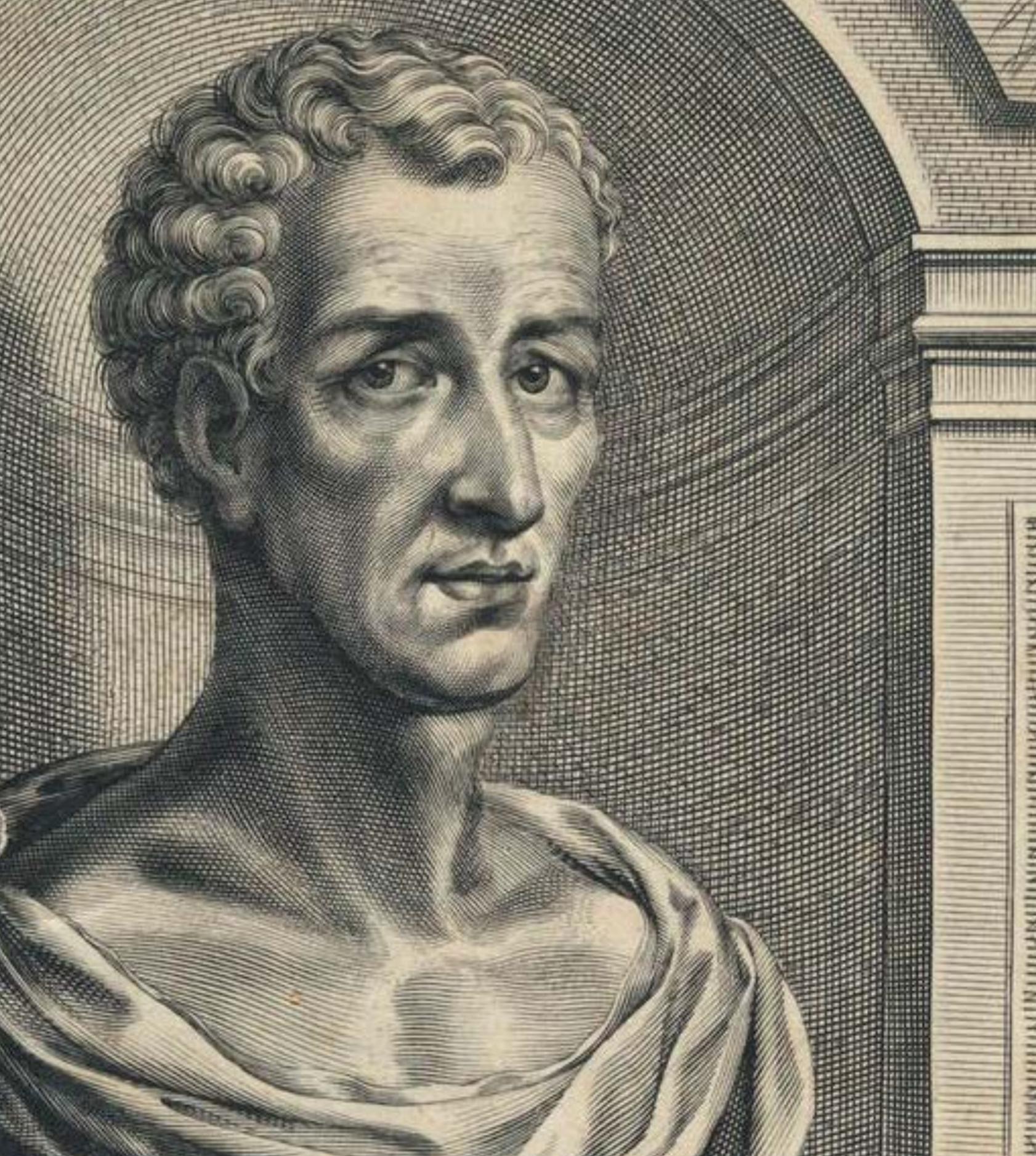
See also: *Tacitus on Christ*, in *The Loeb Classical Library 249* (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 1937), 283.



2. Josephus - Roman Historian

“...Pilate condemned him to be crucified and to die. But those who had become his disciples did not abandon his discipleship. They reported that he had appeared to them three days after his crucifixion and that he was alive...”

— *Antiquities* 18.3.3 (Arabic version; partial reconstruction)



3. Lucian of Samasota

“The Christians, you know, worship a man to this day—the distinguished personage who introduced their novel rites, and was crucified on that account... (Lucian, The Death of Peregrine. 11-133)

4. Phlegon - Historian

“And with regard to the eclipse in the time of Tiberius Caesar, in whose reign **Jesus appears to have been crucified**, and the great earthquakes which then took place... “ (Origen Against Celsus, Book 2, Chapter 33



Tiberius Caesar



4. Ignatius

“He truly suffered, as also He truly raised Himself up... **He was truly nailed in the flesh** for our sakes under Pontius Pilate and Herod the tetrarch.” (Ignatius of Antioch, *Smyrnaeans* 1–2)

5. Gospel of Peter (Apocryphal Text)

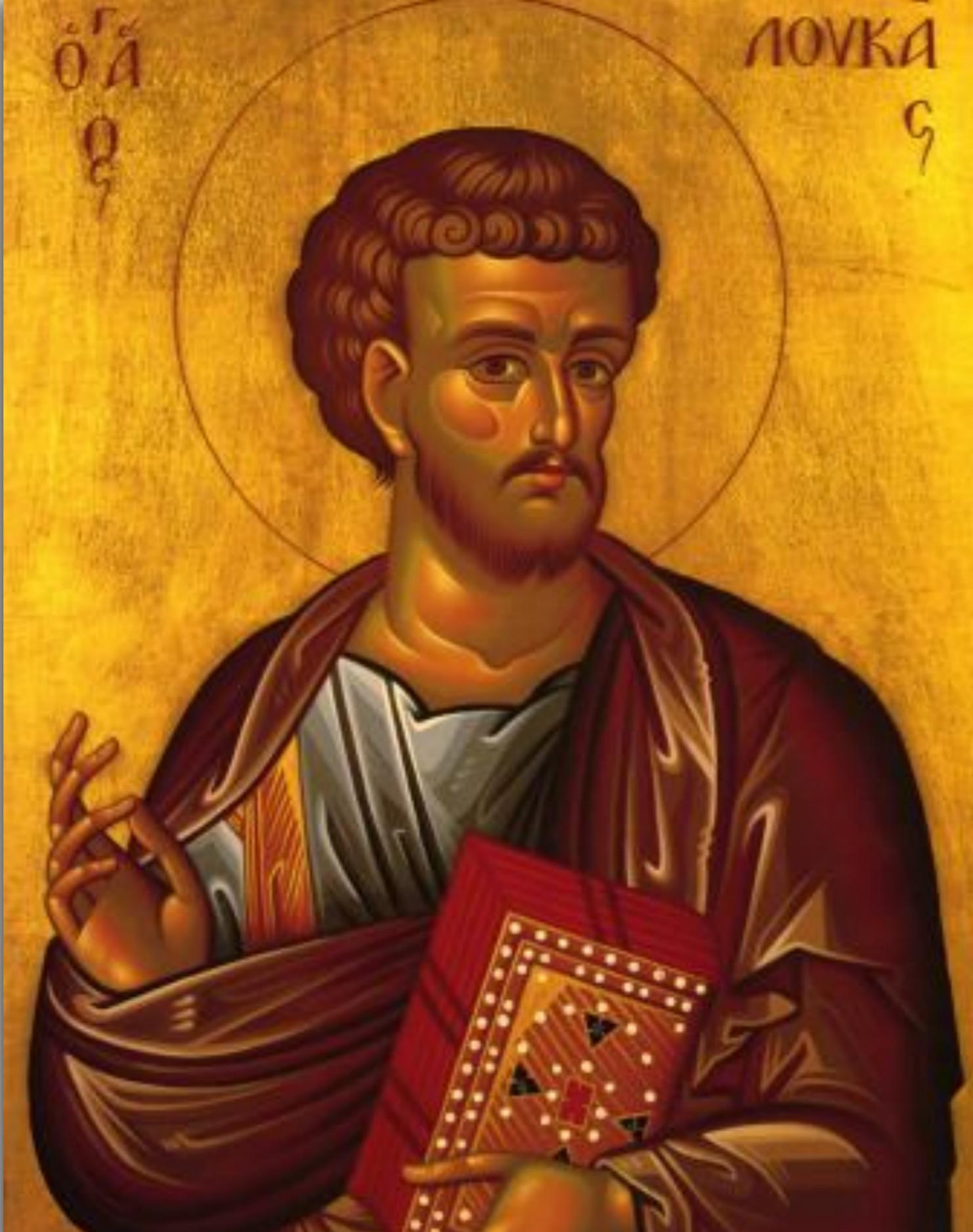
“And they brought **two criminals** and crucified the Lord between them. But he was silent, as though he had no pain” (*Gospel of Peter* 10:39–42)



6. Babylonian Talmud

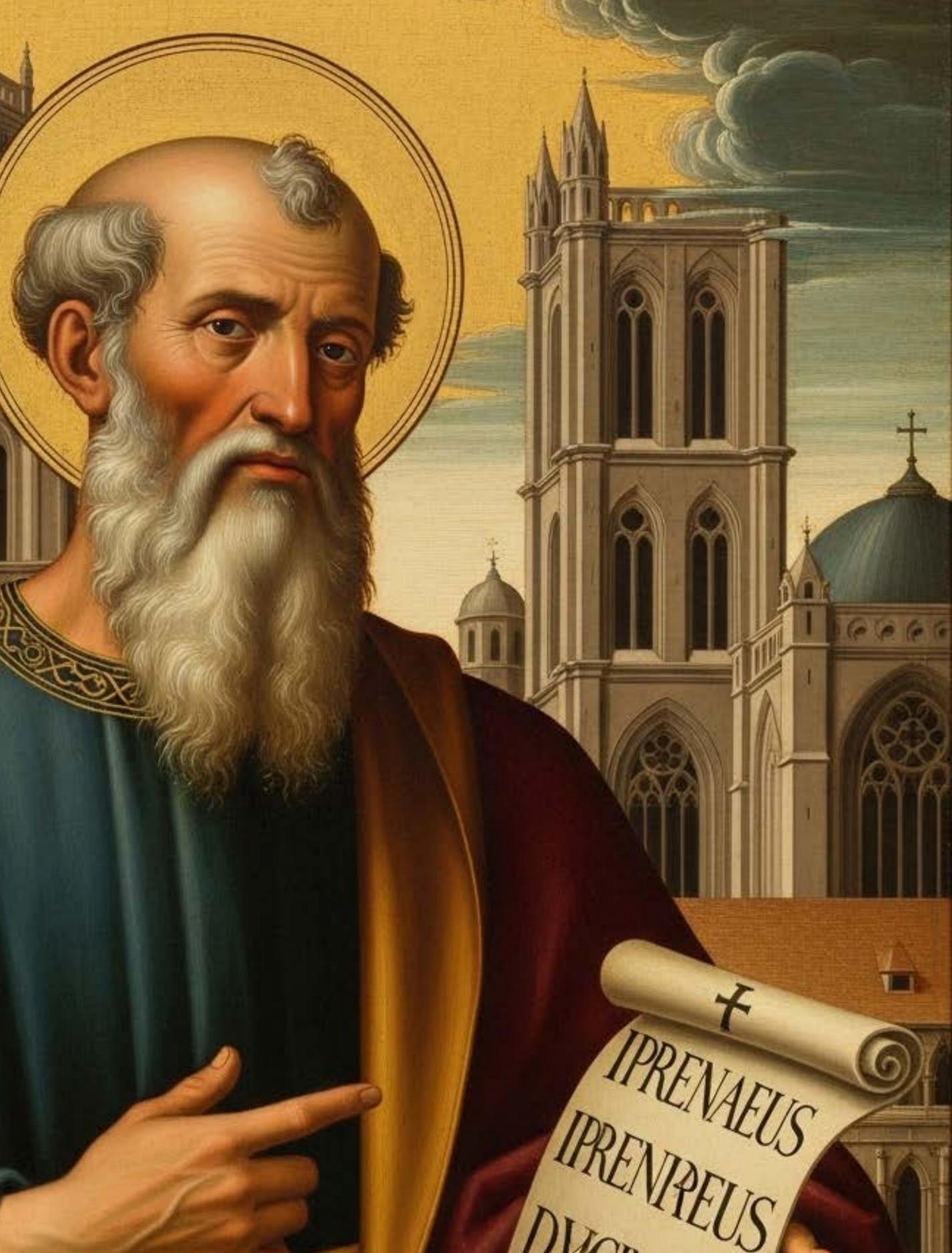
“On the eve of Passover they hanged Yeshu”
(Babylonian Talmud, *Sanhedrin* 43a)





7) Mara Bar-Serapion (70AD)

“What benefit did the Athenians obtain by putting Socrates to death? Famine and plague came upon them as judgment for their crime. Or, the people of Samos for burning Pythagoras? In one moment their country was covered with sand. Or the Jews by murdering their wise king?...After that their kingdom was abolished. God rightly avenged these men... The wise king...Lived on in the teachings he enacted” (Syriac Manuscript, Additional 14,658 (British Museum))



8) Irenaeus (c. AD 180)

“He suffered truly, and rose truly... and **He was truly crucified under Pontius Pilate.**”

— Against Heresies 2.24.4

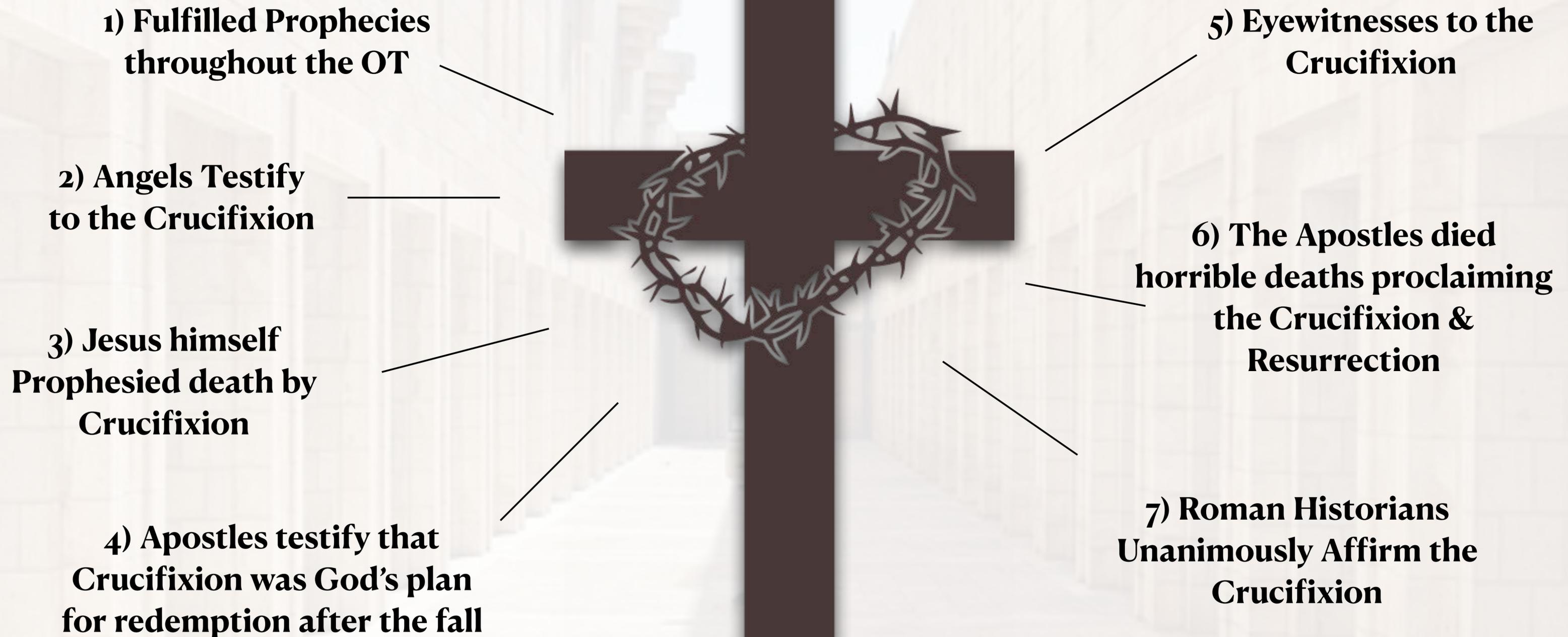


9) Justin Martyr (c. AD 150)

“They pierced His hands and His feet, and **crucified Him.**”

— Dialogue with Trypho 97

The Testimony to the Crucifixion of Jesus Christ



**1) The Quran Affirms the Divine
Inspiration, Preservation and
Authority of the Bible**

The Quran says the Torah and Gospels came from God (**inspired**), were with the Jews and Christians (**preserved**), and to be relied upon (**authoritative**).

2:41 *"confirming what is **with you**"*

2:89 *"confirming what is **with them**"*

2:91 *"believe in what Allah has revealed, confirming what is **with them**"*

2:101 *"a Messenger from Allah confirming what is **with them**"*

4:47 *"Believe in what We have sent down, confirming what is **with you...**"*

5:43 *"...while they have the **Torah**, in which is the judgment of Allah..."*

5:44 *"...The prophets... judged by the **Torah**, as did the rabbis and scholars..."*

5:46 *"...Jesus... confirming the Torah... and We gave him the **Gospel**, in which was guidance and light..."*

5:47 *"Let the People of the Gospel judge by what Allah has revealed **therein...**"*

5:66 *"If only they had upheld the **Torah and the Gospel...**"*

5:68 *"You have no ground to stand on unless you uphold the **Torah and Gospel...**"*

7:157 *"...the unlettered Prophet... whom they find written in the **Torah and Gospel with them...**"*

9:111 *"...a promise [binding] upon Him in the **Torah and the Gospel and the Quran...**"*

2) The Quran Speaks of Jesus' Death as Dying, then Rising

“When Allah said, ‘O Jesus, indeed I will cause you to die (*mutawaffika*) and raise you to Myself...’” (Surah Āl ‘Imrān 3:55)

The Word means “Death”

📖 *Tawaffā* in the Context of Death (Not Sleep)

Surah	Ayah	Arabic Phrase	Translation (Sahih International)	Context
Al-Nisā' (4)	97	تَوَفَّتْهُمُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ	<i>"Indeed, those whom the angels take [in death] while wronging themselves..."</i>	Wrongdoers' souls taken in death by angels.
Al-An'ām (6)	61	يَتَوَفَّاكُمْ	<i>"...until, when death comes to one of you, Our messengers take him, and they do not neglect [their duty]."</i>	Angels (messengers) faithfully taking souls at death.
Al-Naḥl (16)	28	تَتَوَفَّاهُمُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ	<i>"Those whom the angels take in death while wronging themselves..."</i>	Disbelievers' souls taken, facing punishment.
Al-Naḥl (16)	32	تَتَوَفَّاهُمُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ طَيِّبِينَ	<i>"Those whom the angels take in death [while] good and pure..."</i>	Believers' souls taken peacefully by angels.
Muḥammad (47)	27	تَوَفَّتْهُمُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ	<i>"...But how [will it be] when the angels take them in death, striking their faces and their backs?"</i>	Wicked taken violently in death.



Jesus says:

“Peace be upon me the day I was born, the day I die, and the day I will be raised alive” (Quran 19:33)

Quran 4:157

That they said (in boast), "We killed Christ Jesus the son of Mary, the Messenger of Allah";- but they killed him not, nor crucified him, but so it was made to appear to them, and those who differ therein are full of doubts, with no (certain) knowledge, but only conjecture to follow, for of a surety they killed him not:-

No.

It Didn't Happen.

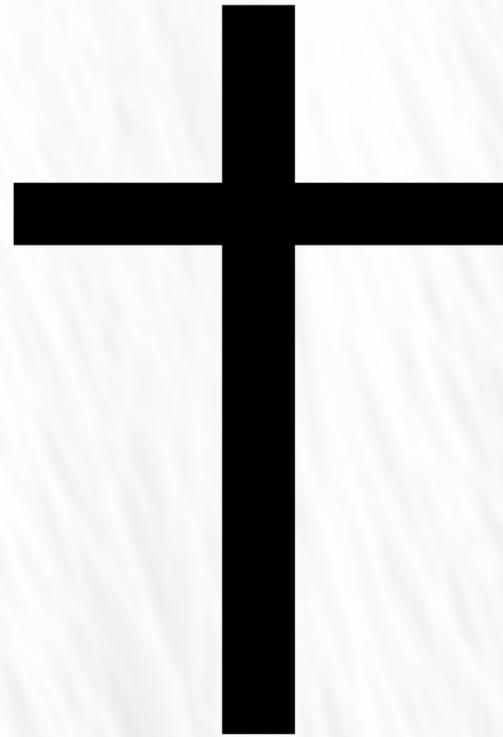
It just looked like it did.



Problem 1) It Denies **ALL** of the Evidence

- Quran was recorded 600 years after Jesus' death
- Islam's prophet was NOT an eyewitness
- Islam's prophet did NOT consult any eyewitnesses
- Rejected unanimous testimony of the Roman historians of the 1st and 2nd centuries
- Rejects the prophecies in the Old Testament
- Rejects the testimony of the angels, including Gabriel
- Rejects the very words of Jesus
- Rejects the teachings of the apostles
- Rejects that the death of the apostles proclaiming the crucifixion under horrible deaths
- Contradicts places in the Quran that say Isa died
- Rejects the words of the Quran to trust the Torah, the Psalms, the Prophets and the Gospels
- Claims to know the truth but himself has no assurance of salvation and does not know what will happen to him

Problem 2) It Would Allah Condemned Generations to Hell-Fire



33 AD

Allah caused Jesus to be switched out with someone else



- 1) Quran says he was just a man - Allah caused another man to bear the burdens of another at the cross (Quran 17:15)
- 2) Everyone from AD 33 - 613+ AD commits shirk and goes to Hell-fire because it is not corrected until later
- 3) Allah contributes to the growth of Christianity because Jesus' apparent death wasn't corrected for 600 years, allowing Christianity to grow

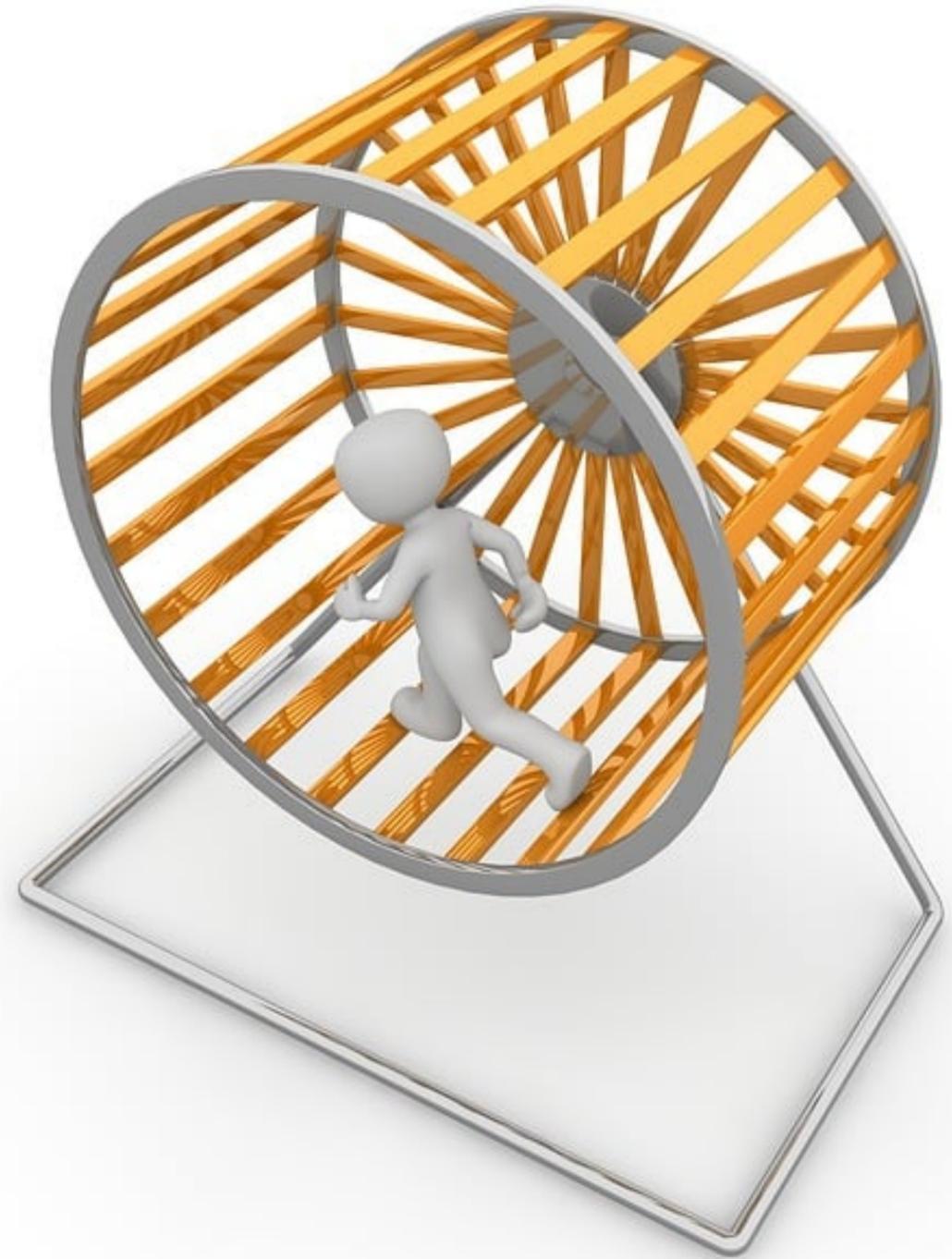


613+ AD

Corrected the "error" saying it wasn't really Jesus on the cross.

Problem 3)

It tries to put men and women on an exhausting, hopeless, relationship-less need to try to attain salvation by works



An Even Greater Problem for All Humanity



- “There is no one righteous, not even one...All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God” (Rom 3:10, 23)
- “we know that a person is not justified [declared righteous] by works of the law” (Gal 2:16)
- “the wrath of God remains on him” (John 3:36)

Jesus Christ Crucified is the Answer

- “For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God” (1 Pet 3:18)
- For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures (1 Cor 15:3)
- “For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord” (Romans 6:23)



The Result is Assurance of Salvation



“I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, **that you may know that you have eternal life**” (1 John 5:13).