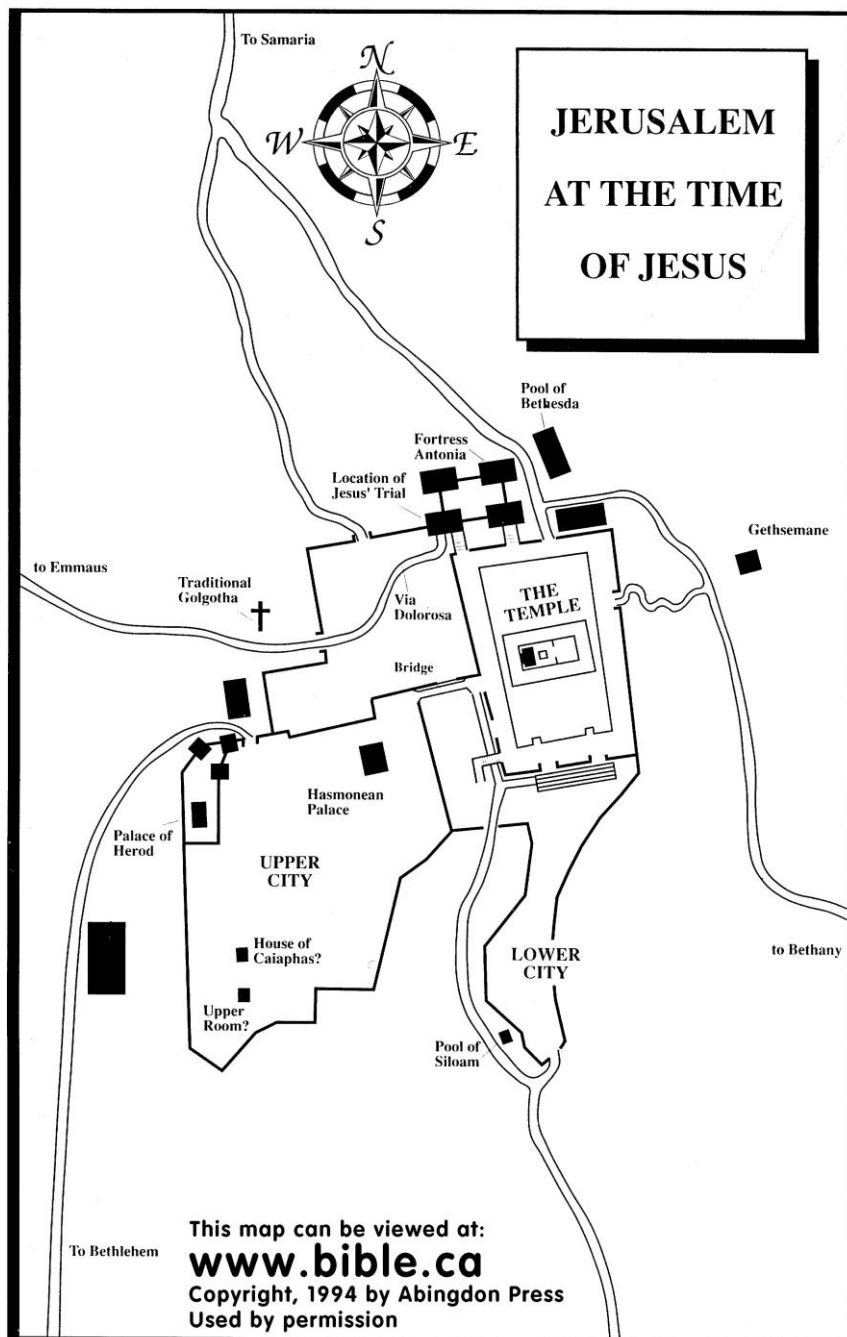


**Mark 15:21 – 16:8**

v21-Cyrene	(proper noun)	a place in Northern Africa
v22-Golgotha	(proper noun)	a place outside of Jerusalem
v23-myrrh	(noun)	a sweet smelling gum resin from certain trees, used especially for perfume and incense. It was used on dead bodies to preserve them
v24 – crucified	(verb)	killed someone by nailing them to a cross
v24-cast lots	(expression)	decided by drawing straws to see who would win
v25-third hour	(noun)	three hours after sunrise; about 8-9am.
v26-charge	(noun)	the crime that someone has committed
v29-hurled	(verb)	threw
v29-insults	(noun)	speak rudely; make an offensive remark
v31-chief priests	(noun)	the leaders of the priests.
v31-teachers of the law	(noun)	also called scribes; men who taught religious instruction to the Jewish people.
v32-Christ	(title)	God's chosen king
v33-sixth hour	(noun)	six hours after sunrise; approximately 11am-12noon
v33-ninth hour	(noun)	nine hours after sunrise; approximately 2-3pm
v34-forsaken	(verb)	completely deserted; abandoned
v35-Elijah	(proper noun)	a prophet from the Old Testament
v36-sponge	(noun)	a material that can soak up liquids
v38- temple	(noun)	the building in Jerusalem that symbolises God's dwelling among his people
v38-curtain	(noun)	the hanging purple material separating the Most Holy Place
v38-centurion	(noun)	a Roman soldier in charge of 100 men
v41-Galilee	(proper noun)	a place – see map
V42 Sabbath	(noun)	a Jewish religious day to rest from work
V43 prominent	(adjective)	widely known
V43 Council	(noun)	the Sanhedrin; the Jewish ruling council
V43 boldly	(adverb)	confidently, courageously
V43 Pilate	(noun)	Pontius Pilate, the Roman governor; authorised the death of Jesus
V44 summoning	(verb)	ordering to come
V46 linen	(noun)	a hard-wearing woven fabric
V46 tomb	(noun)	a place for the burial of a body. In bible times caves were often used as tombs.
V47 laid	(verb)	placed or put

15:1 anoint	(verb)	to apply oil or spices to as an act of devotion and love
V5 robe	(noun)	a piece of loose clothing
V5 alarmed	(adjective)	afraid or anxious that something unpleasant or dangerous might happen
V6 risen	(verb)	made alive again after death
V6 disciples	(noun)	followers
V8 trembling	(verb)	shaking involuntarily because of fear
V8 bewildered	(adjective)	puzzled, confused
V8 fled	(verb)	ran away from





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*Jesus Is Nailed to a Cross*

<sup>21</sup> A man named Simon was passing by. He was from Cyrene. He was the father of Alexander and Rufus. Simon was on his way in from the country. The soldiers forced him to carry the cross. <sup>22</sup> They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha. The word Golgotha means the Place of the Skull. <sup>23</sup> Then they gave him wine mixed with spices. But he did not take it. <sup>24</sup> They nailed him to the cross. Then they divided up his clothes. They cast lots to see what each of them would get.

<sup>25</sup> It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. <sup>26</sup> They wrote out the charge against him. It read,  
 THE KING OF THE JEWS.

<sup>27-28</sup> They crucified with him two rebels against Rome. One was on his right and one was on his left. <sup>29</sup> Those who passed by shouted at Jesus and made fun of him. They shook their heads and said, "So you are going to destroy the temple and build it again in three days?"

<sup>30</sup> Then come down from the cross! Save yourself!" <sup>31</sup> In the same way the chief priests and the teachers of the law made fun of him among themselves. "He saved others," they said. "But he can't save himself!" <sup>32</sup> Let this Messiah, this king of Israel, come down now from the cross! When we see that, we will believe." Those who were being crucified with Jesus also made fun of him.

#### *Jesus Dies*

<sup>33</sup> At noon, darkness covered the whole land. It lasted three hours. <sup>34</sup> At three o'clock in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" This means "My God, my God, why have you deserted me?"

<sup>35</sup> Some of those standing nearby heard Jesus cry out. They said, "Listen! He's calling for Elijah."

<sup>36</sup> Someone ran and filled a sponge with wine vinegar. He put it on a stick. He offered it to Jesus to drink. "Leave him alone," he said. "Let's see if Elijah comes to take him down."

<sup>37</sup> With a loud cry, Jesus took his last breath.

<sup>38</sup> The temple curtain was torn in two from top to bottom. <sup>39</sup> A Roman commander was standing there in front of Jesus. He saw how Jesus died. Then he said, "This man was surely the Son of God!"

<sup>40</sup> Not very far away, some women were watching. Mary Magdalene was among them. Mary, the mother of the younger James and of Joseph, was also there. So was Salome. <sup>41</sup> In Galilee these women had followed Jesus. They had taken care of his needs. Many other women were also there. They had come up with him to Jerusalem.

#### *Jesus Is Buried*

<sup>42</sup> It was the day before the Sabbath. That day was called Preparation Day. As evening approached, <sup>43</sup> Joseph went boldly to Pilate and asked for Jesus' body. Joseph was from the town of Arimathea. He was a leading member of the Jewish Council. He was waiting for God's kingdom. <sup>44</sup> Pilate was surprised to hear that Jesus was already dead. So he called for the Roman commander. He asked him if Jesus had already died.

#### *Jesus Rises From the Dead*

<sup>16:1</sup> The Sabbath day ended. Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices. They were going to use them for Jesus' body. <sup>2</sup> Very early on the first day of the week, they were on their way to the tomb. It was just after sunrise. <sup>3</sup> They asked each other, "Who will roll the stone away from the entrance to the tomb?"

<sup>4</sup> Then they looked up and saw that the stone had been rolled away. The stone was very large. <sup>5</sup> They entered the tomb. As they did, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe. He was sitting on the right side. They were alarmed.

<sup>6</sup> "Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. But he has risen! He is not here! See the place where they had put him. <sup>7</sup> Go! Tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him. It will be just as he told you.'"

<sup>8</sup> The women were shaking and confused. They went out and ran away from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.