**Series: Easter**

**Palm Sunday**

**Read John 19:16-30.**

**Speaker: Pastor Jeff Bucknam**

**Check out the sermon here:** <https://northview.org/palm-sunday/>

**A Note from Pastor Dan:** Hello! Welcome to our sermon reflection. This is intended for you to spend time reflecting upon the weekend teaching of God’s Word and to dig deeper into the lesson. So, it’s important to have watched or listened to the message from the previous weekend. In the coming weeks, I would encourage you to use one of our Sermon Guides as you watch/listen to the sermon in order to keep focused and to note important information.

As you work through this lesson, feel free to ask your parents any questions and include them in your observations.

\*\*Quotes from Jeff’s sermon will be outlined in this colour.

**The Sermon**

* **Opening Illustration**: Jeff cave spelunking in New Zealand and being totally freaked out when his guides did not know where to go. Especially when the guide said,

That’s funny, I’ve never been here before.

That’s the way fear works, it results from the feeling that's things are out of control. This whole situation in the world right now is new to all of us.

* This is one of the reasons that we are so afraid right now, because we have never experienced anything like this before.

**Jeff’s 2 Points:**

* It’s Under Control
* Its finished
* **Read John 19:16-18  (NIV)**

**The Crucifixion of Jesus**

*So the soldiers took charge of Jesus. 17Carrying his own cross, he went out to the place of the Skull (which in Aramaic is called Golgotha). 18There they crucified him, and with him two others—one on each side and Jesus in the middle.*

* Probably called Golgotha because of the shape of the rocks

* Jeff detailed the horror of a crucifixion
* Crucifixions were used by the Romans to demonstrate their power and discourage other people from opposing them.
* John is demonstrating throughout today’s passage Jesus as the fulfillment of Old Testament prophecy. It’s almost like God knew that is was going to happen

**John 19:19-30  (NIV)**

*19Pilate had a notice prepared and fastened to the cross. It read: jesus of nazareth,the king of the jews. 20Many of the Jews read this sign, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and the sign was written in Aramaic, Latin and Greek. 21The chief priests of the Jews protested to Pilate, “Do not write ‘The King of the Jews,’ but that this man claimed to be king of the Jews.”*

*22Pilate answered, “What I have written, I have written.”*

*23When the soldiers crucified Jesus, they took his clothes, dividing them into four shares, one for each of them, with the undergarment remaining. This garment was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom.*

*24“Let’s not tear it,” they said to one another. “Let’s decide by lot who will get it.”*

*This happened that the scripture might be fulfilled that said,*

*“They divided my clothes among them
    and cast lots for my garment.”[*[*a*](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=john+19%3A19-30&version=NIV#fen-NIV-26850a)*]*

*So this is what the soldiers did.*

*25Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. 26When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to her, “Woman,[*[*b*](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=john+19%3A19-30&version=NIV#fen-NIV-26852b)*] here is your son,” 27and to the disciple, “Here is your mother.” From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.*

*The Death of Jesus*

*28Later, knowing that everything had now been finished, and so that Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, “I am thirsty.” 29A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus’ lips. 30When he had received the drink, Jesus said, “It is finished.” With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.*

**Digging In**

1. Who does Pilate hand Jesus over to?

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2. What notice does Pilate have prepared and fastened to the cross? Why was it written in multiple languages?

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3. What happens to Jesus clothes?

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4*.* Open your Bible & Read Psalm 22:16-18. How is this fulfilled in Jesus’s crucifixion?

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5. Read Psalm 69:19-21. How is this fulfilled in Jesus’s crucifixion?

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6. Read John 4:31-34. What does Jesus say His food is?

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