

## They Will Look On Him

**Zechariah 12:10** they will look on Me whom they pierced

Who look on Jesus and what did they see?

### Pilate

**John 19:10** <sup>10</sup> Then Pilate said to Him, "Are You not speaking to me? Do You not know that I have power to crucify You, and power to release You?"

Pilate Looked on Him and saw someone to be used. He was the governor. He was in charge. It was his choice to give death, or to give life. It was his decision.

### Herod

**Luke 23:8** <sup>8</sup> Now when Herod saw Jesus, he was exceedingly glad; for he had desired for a long *time* to see Him, because he had heard many things about Him, and he hoped to see some miracle done by Him.

Herod looked on him and saw an entertainer. He was happy to see Jesus if Jesus would please him. Give me jokes. Give me laughter. Don't bother me with God's law, with my sins, with theology, or with the gospel.

### The Centurion

**Mark 15:39** <sup>39</sup> So when the centurion, who stood opposite Him, saw that He cried out like this and breathed His last, he said, "Truly this Man was the Son of God!"

This roman soldier looked on him and saw his power. He acknowledge his deity but had no use for him. He did not know the love of God which came to give eternal life and salvation.

## The Women

**Luke 23:55-56** <sup>55</sup> And the women who had come with Him from Galilee followed after, and they observed the tomb and how His body was laid. <sup>56</sup> Then they returned and prepared spices and fragrant oils.

The women looked on him and saw someone to be pitied, someone to cry for, and someone they loved but who was dead. They mourned without hope. They did not understand that death had been defeated.

## The Jewish Leaders

**Matthew 27:62-64** <sup>62</sup> On the next day, which followed the Day of Preparation, the chief priests and Pharisees gathered together to Pilate, <sup>63</sup> saying, "Sir, we remember, while He was still alive, how that deceiver said, 'After three days I will rise.' <sup>64</sup> "Therefore command that the tomb be made secure until the third day, lest His disciples come by night and steal Him *away*, and say to the people, 'He has risen from the dead.' So the last deception will be worse than the first."

The Jewish leaders looked on him as a deceiver. They thought themselves clever. In their eagerness to prove His death they instead proved his resurrection.

## The Disciples

**Luke 24:19-21** So they said to Him, "The things concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who was a Prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup> "and how the chief priests and our rulers delivered Him to be condemned to death, and crucified Him. <sup>21</sup> "But we were hoping that it was He who was going to redeem Israel.

The disciples looked on him and saw someone who failed. They thought he was the messiah but he did not live up to their expectations of him.

**Luke 23:42** <sup>42</sup> Then he said to Jesus, "Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom."

The criminal looked on him and he saw

- one who could have come down but did not, one who gave his life as a ransom for our sin.
- one who could have struck down his enemies but did not, one who forgave those who hated him.
- one whose right it was to rebuke but who instead had mercy on sinners.

The criminal looked on him and he alone saw a savior from sin.

**Luke 23:43** <sup>43</sup> And Jesus said to him, "Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise."

Amen