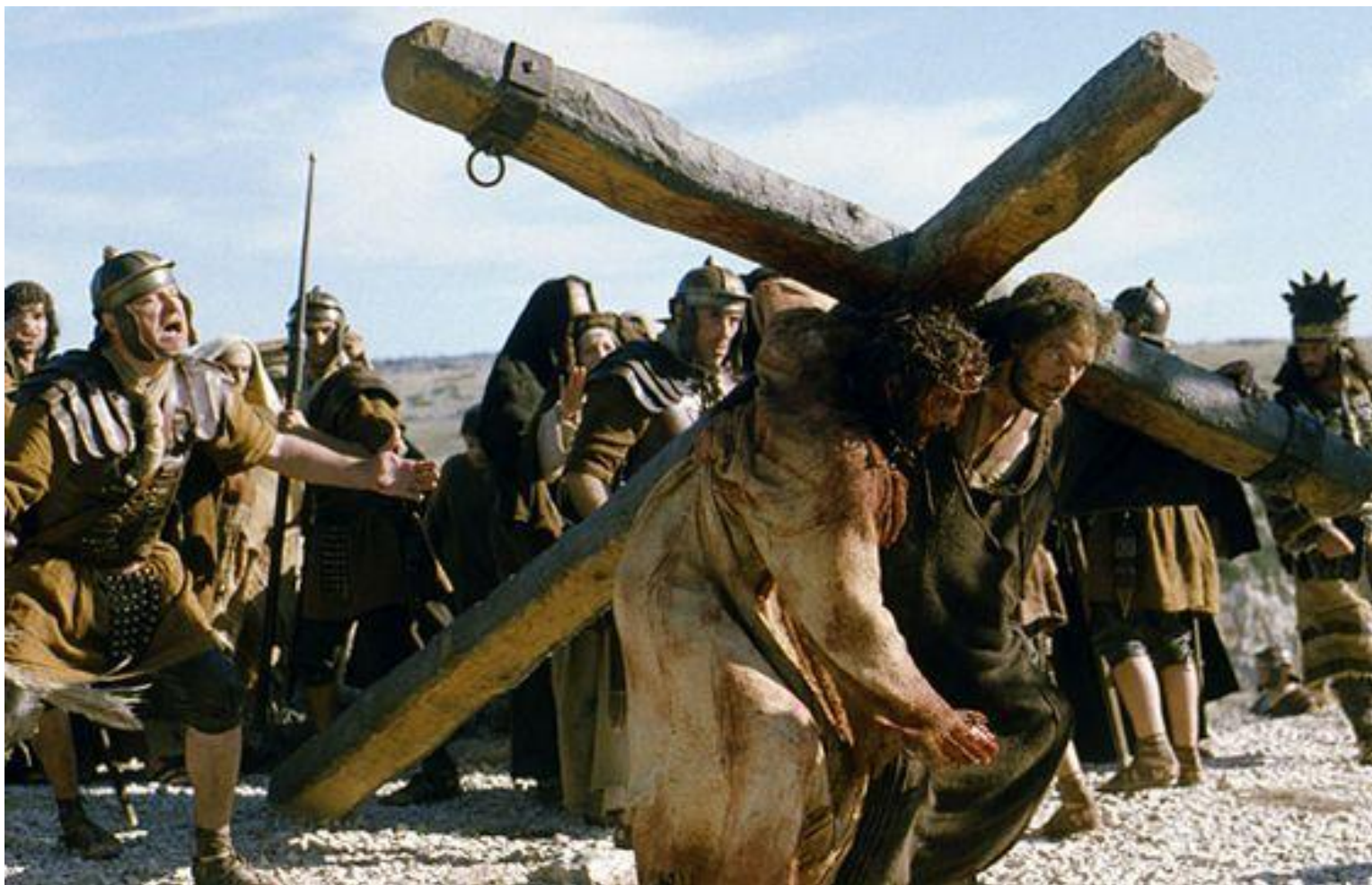


Jesus Christ Takes Up His Cross



“Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, take up his cross, and follow Me.” Mark 8:34

Take Up Your Cross



And whoever does not bear his cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple. (Luke 14:27)

Jesus Took up His Cross, He asks His Followers to the Same

Romans 8:16-17

The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. Now if we are children, then we are heirs — heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, **if indeed we share in His sufferings in order that we may also share in His glory.**

Philippians 1:29

For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe on Him, **but also to suffer for Him.**

1 Peter 2:21

To this you were called, **because Christ suffered for you**, leaving you an example, that **you should follow in His steps.**

What then does it mean to “share in His sufferings”? For the most part, it **refers to suffering persecution and opposition and hardship for the gospel**, and references to this are found in almost every book of the New Testament.

Vengeance & Justice is God's

Romans 12:19

Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but *rather* give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance *is* mine; I will repay, saith the Lord.

Revelation 19

¹ And after these things I heard a great voice of much people in heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God:

² For true and righteous are his judgments: for he hath judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand.

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² **For true and righteous are his judgments:** for he hath judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand.

¹¹ And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and **in righteousness he doth judge and make war.**

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¹² His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.

¹³ And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and **his name is called The Word of God.**

¹⁴ And **the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses**, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.

¹⁵ And **out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword**, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and **he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.**

¹⁶ And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, **KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.**

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¹⁹ And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army.

²⁰ **And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.**

²¹ And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh.