

John 19:17-42 (part 3)
Bible study questions and application

1. Discuss the usefulness of the “hurricane” analogy of the danger we people are in, having to face the imminent wrath of God.
2. The wrath of God is an unpopular subject in the present day. Yet the subject cannot be avoided. See a sample of Scripture from both the Old Testament and the New Testament: Exodus 32:10-11; Numbers 16:46; Deuteronomy 9:7-8; 2 Kings 28:36; Psalm 2:12; Matthew 3:7; Luke 21:23; John 3:36; Romans 1:18; Romans 2:8; Colossians 3:16; Revelation 6:17
3. Read about the rescue from God’s wrath in Romans 5:9 and 1 Thessalonians 1:10
4. The historicity of Jesus actually living and dying is crucial to the gospel. John emphasises the fact that he was a witness to what happened to Jesus. We too must stand on the truth he testifies about. We must avoid any deviation to these facts. Be aware that some present day theologians deny that Jesus even existed claiming the gospel of Jesus to be a myth. Others say he did not actually die on the cross refuting His resurrection. Others even propagate a view that it doesn’t matter that He lived or died because the important reality for them is what helps you today even if it is just mystical belief.
5. Discuss the different ways the crucifixion affects people:
 - You don’t really believe what is being said and simply ignore it.
 - You conclude all that you have heard does not affect you.
 - You believe all that you have heard does affect you.
6. Discuss the importance of the right responsible response of needing to believe ; include in your discussion the need for “active believing” referring to the sermon notes and the use of the analogy of “getting on the bus”. John 19:35; Romans 3:21-22
7. Read Luke 9:23 and discuss how it relates to Matthew 16:26