

**Outline – March 5, 2023**  
**Psalm 22:1-5, 14-18, 25-31**  
**2 Corinthians 5:20-21**  
**Prophecies of the Cross**

**It Is Our Greatest Hope**

**I. Finding hope in the Cross**

- A. September 13, 2001
- B. In the midst of pain, suffering, utter destruction and death
- C. The Ground Zero cross was discovered
- D. What the Cross means
  - 1. When Jesus was born, God stepped into a world filled with pain
  - 2. Jesus understands suffering
  - 3. The crucified Savior is our point of contact to God

**II. The prophecy of the Crucifixion**

- A. The birth of Jesus prophesied
- B. The death of Jesus prophesied
  - 1. Psalm 22
  - 2. Isaiah 53
- C. The cross is not the end of the story, it is the theme of the story

**III. The accuracy of prophesy in Psalm 22**

- A. A messianic Psalm in 5 major sections
  - 1. Abandonment
    - a. My God, my God why has thou forsaken me?
    - b. Intimacy is lost
    - c. Fellowship broken
    - d. A cry of abandonment
    - e. Happens at noon when darkness covers the land
    - f. Happens after the 3<sup>rd</sup> hour
    - g. Happens after Jesus consoles others
    - h. All the sin is placed on Him
    - i. "I am a worm" (Tola)
    - j. He is pointing to Psalm 22
  - 2. Adversity
    - a. Sneering
    - b. Mocking
    - c. Taunting
    - d. Beaten
    - e. Stripped

3. Anguish on the Cross
  - a. Poured out like water
  - b. Fluid pours forth from His side
  - c. Heart melted like wax
  - d. Water and blood pour from His side
  - e. Bones out of joint
  - f. Rib cage extended
  - g. Spikes in the median nerve
  - h. Dehydration, asphyxiation
4. Accomplishment of the Cross
  - a. It is finished
  - b. Your sins are dealt with, paid for
  - c. As a believer you will never know abandonment or eternal judgement
  - d. You have had sin removed
  - e. You have been given righteousness
5. The adulation because of the Cross
  - a. Salvation of many due to suffering of One
  - b. The One who is holy makes us holy
  - c. He makes us family
  - d. He is glorified

**IV. A recap of the prophecies**

- A. All of this happened
- B. All of it predicted
- C. All of it fulfilled

**It Is Finished  
It Was Done For You  
Will You Believe It?  
Will You Receive It?**