

The Hinge of History

John 19:17-30*

The Apostle's Creed states it without embellishment: "He was crucified, dead, and buried." These three events are described in John 19:17-42, momentous events that we should understand not only from the historical point of view but also from the doctrinal. *What* happened is important; *why* it happened is also important, if you hope to go to heaven.¹

✠ Jesus bore His own cross (17-18)

✠ The Cross penetrates all of life (19-22)

✠ Old Testament prophecy fulfilled (23-24)

✠ Jesus fulfills the command to 'honor parents' (25-27)

✠ Jesus knew all was completed (28-29)

✠ Jesus is in control, "it is finished" —tetelestai (30)

* These notes are prayerfully prepared to aid, not replace, your personal study of God's word.
¹ Warren W. Wiersbe, *The Bible Exposition Commentary*, vol. 1 (Wheaton, IL: Victor Books, 1996), 382.