

They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray."

He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. And said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake."

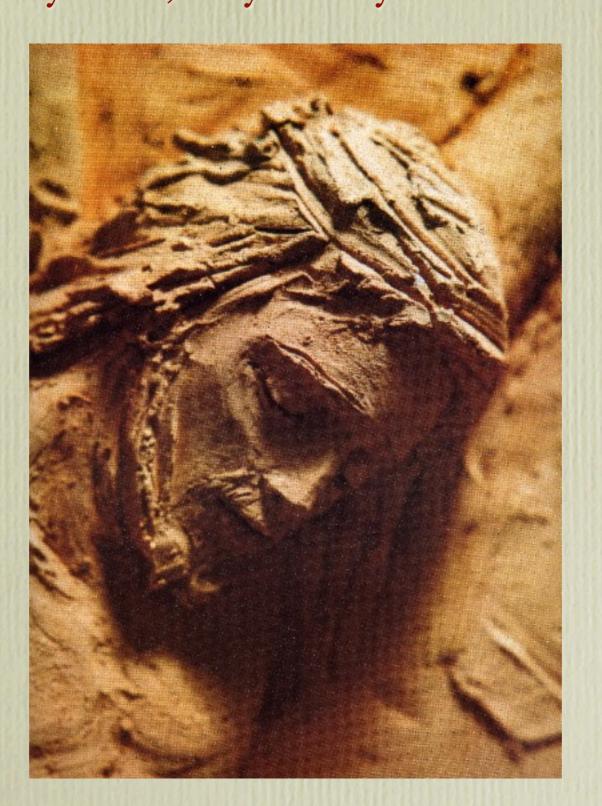
And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. He said, "Abba, Father,

for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, let your will, not mine, be done."

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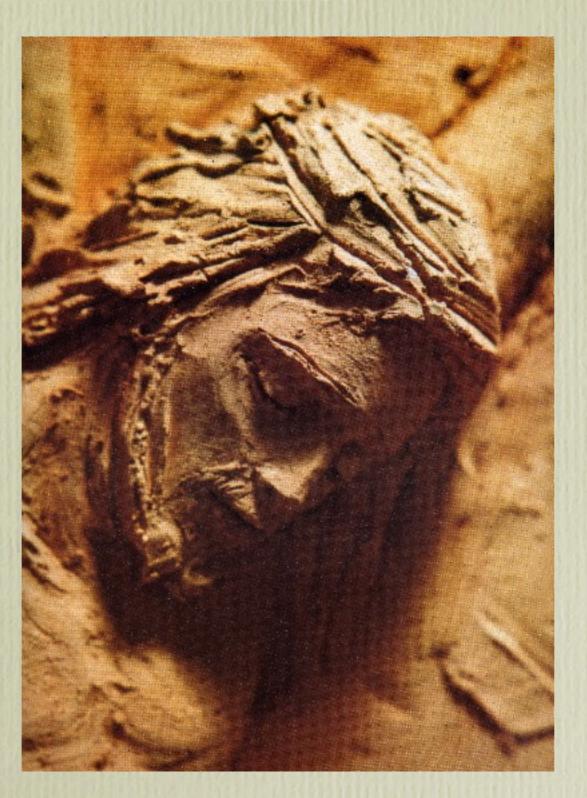


Mark 15:34
'My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?'



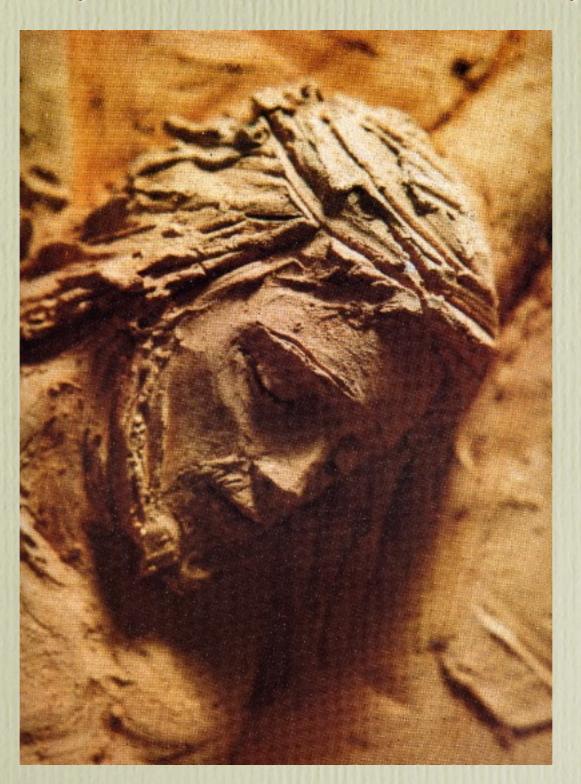
John 19:38

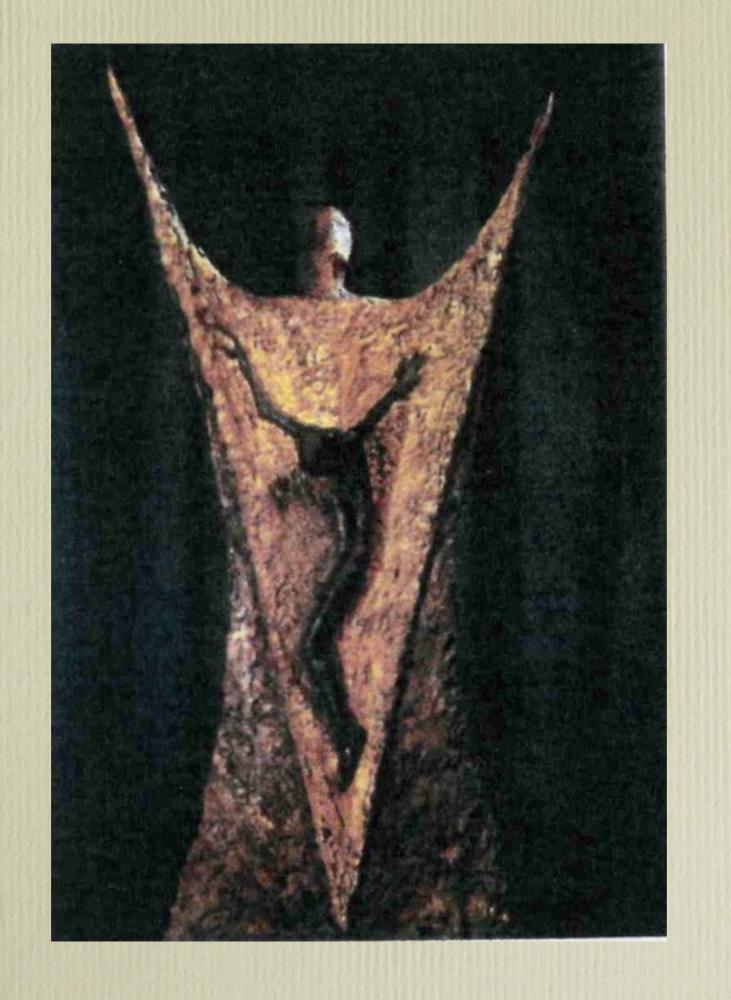
'I thirst'



Luke 23:46

'Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.'





Galatians 2:19-20

'I have been crucified with the Messiah.

It is no longer I who live.

The Messiah lives in me,

The life I now live in the flesh,

I live by the faith of the Son of God,

loving me and giving himself for me.'

Charles de Foucauld

Father, I abandon myself into your hands. Do with me what you will.
Whatever you may do, I thank you.
I am ready for all, I accept all.
Let only your will be done in me and in all your creatures.
I wish no more than this, O Lord.

Into your hands I commend my spirit.

I offer it to you with all the love of my heart, for I love you Lord, and so need to give myself into your hands, without reserve, and with boundless confidence, for you are my Father.

John 19:31-34

Since it was the day of Preparation, the Jews did not want the bodies left on the cross during the Sabbath, especially because that Sabbath was a day of great solemnity.

So they asked Pilate to have the legs of the crucified men broken and the bodies removed.

Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who had been crucified with him.

But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs.

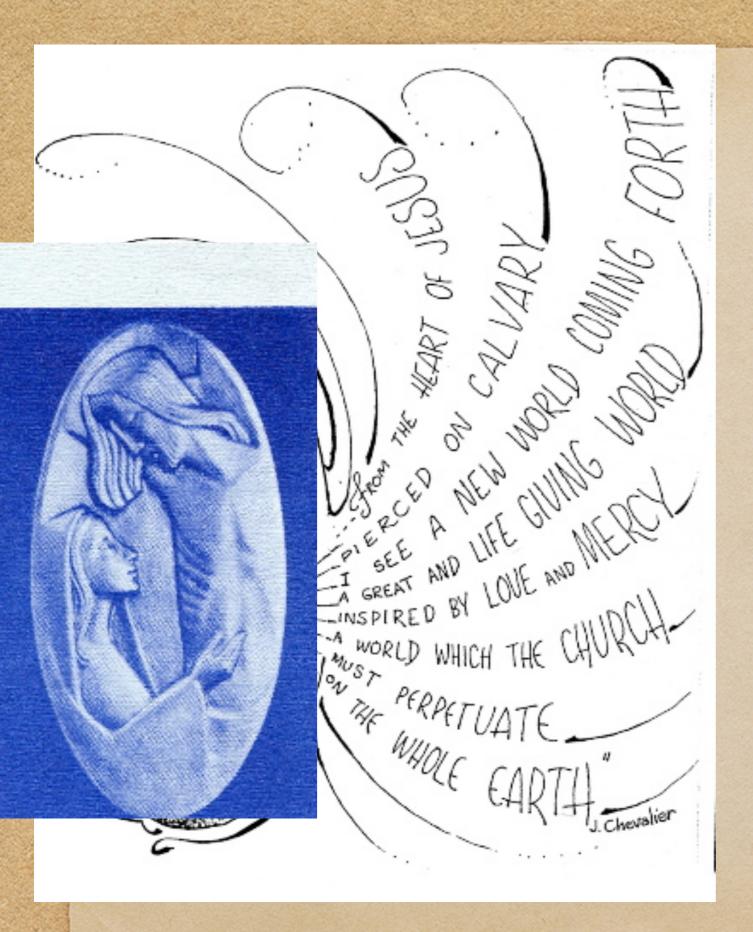
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Moses

Moses striking the Rock (Numbers 20:11)



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'From the Heart of Jesus pierced on Calvary, I see a new world coming forth – a great and life-giving world, inspired by love and mercy: a world which the Church must perpetuate on the whole earth.'

Jules Chevalier 'The Sacred Heart' 1900)

The empty tomb (John 20:1-10)

John 20:1-2

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark,
Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had
been removed from the tomb.

So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.'

John 20:3-10

Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb.

The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first.

He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in.

Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb.

He saw the linen wrappings lying there,

and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself.

Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed;

for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

Then the disciples returned to their homes.

The Risen Jesus reveals himself to Mary Magdalene John 20:11-16

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb.

As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb;

and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet.

They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her,

'Woman, why are you weeping? Who are you looking for?

Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him,

'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him,

and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!'

She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' ('My Master')

Gregory the Great c.600

Because of the ardent love of her heart, Mary continued seeking him when she could not find him, even after the other disciples had gone away. In tears she kept searching, and, aftre with love, she yearned for him. Thus it happened that she alone saw him.

She had already sought and found nothing, but she continued seeking and so found the object of her love.

While she was seeking, her longing grew stronger and stronger, until it was allayed in the embrace of Him whom she was seeking ... At first she did not recognise him, but then Jesus said to her: 'Mary' ... as if to say: 'Now recognise the one who recognises you' ... Outwardly it was He who was the object of her search, but inwardly it was He who was teaching her to search for Him.

The Risen Jesus reveals himself to the assembled disciples

John 20:19-21

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews,
Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.'
After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side.
Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.
Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

John 20:21-22

As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'
When he had said this, he breathed on them
and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.

see John 7:37-39

'On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of his heart shall flow rivers of living water." Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified.'

John 20:23

If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.

The Risen Jesus reveals himself to Thomas

John 20:24-25

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came.

So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.'

But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

John 20:26-29

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.'

Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands.' Reach out your hand and put it in my side.

Do not doubt but believe.'

Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!'

Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

JOHN'S PURPOSE IN WRITING (John 20:30-31)

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book.

But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life'(John 3:16).

John 21:15-17

- When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter,
- 'Simon son of John, do you love (agapan) me more than these?'
- He said to him, 'Lord; you know that I love (philein) you.'
- Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.'
- A second time he said to him,
- 'Simon son of John, do you love (agapan) me?'
- He said to him, 'Lord; you know that I love (philein) you.'
- Jesus said to him, 'Tend my sheep.'
- He said to him the third time,
- 'Simon son of John, do you love (philein) me?'
- Peter was hurt because Jesus said to him the third time,
- 'Do you love (philein) me?' And he said to him,
- 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love (philein) you.'
- Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep.