

The Third Saying of Jesus from The Cross
“Woman Behold your Son, Behold your Mother”
Jn. 19:25-27



*“He is not here, for He is risen,
as He said...” Mt. 28:6*

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- I. **Two** Things The Words Spoken By Jesus From The Cross, Which Are Recorded In Jn. 19:26-27 Have In **Common** With The First And The Sayings Which Jesus Uttered From The Cross In Lk. 23:34, 42-43
 - A. The First Three Sayings Are Spoken With A View To Meeting The **Needs Of Others**
 - B. Jesus Focused On The Needs Of Others While He Was Suffering The Excruciating **Pain Of Crucifixion** cf Jn. 19:25
- II. The **Women** Who Were By The Cross of Jn. 19:25
 - A. There Is Not A Discrepancy In The **Number** Of Women Who Are Listed As Being By The Cross In Jn. 19:25 And The Number Of Women Who Are Listed As Being By The Cross In Mt. 27:56 And Mk. 15:40
 1. Matthew And Mark Reveal That There Were **Three** Women At The Cross Without Mary, The Mother Of Jesus Being Included cf Mt. 27:55-56; Mk. 15:40
 2. The Number Of Women Who Are Listed As Being By The Cross In John 19:25 Is Not Three But **Four**
 - B. **Four** Of The Many Women Who Were At The Cross Are Specifically Identified
 1. **Mary**, The Mother Of Jesus cf Mt. 1:16, 18, 20-25; Mk. 6:3; Lk. 1:39-44; 2:34
 2. Jesus' Mother Mary's **Sister** (*i.e. His maternal aunt*) Possibly **Salome** The Wife Of Zebedee And The Mother Of James And John cf Mt. 4:2; 10:2; Mt. 20:20-24; 27:56; Mk. 1:19-20; 3:17; 10:35-41; 15:40; 16:1; Lk. 5:10
 3. Mary The Wife Of **Clopas** And The Woman Who Probably Was The Mother Of **James** The **Less** And **Joseph** cf Mt. 27:56; Mk. 15:40
 4. Mary **Magdalene** cf Mt. 27:56-61; 28:1; Mk. 15:40, 47; 16:1, 9; Lk. 8:2; 24:10; Jn. 19:25; 20:1, 18
- III. The **Words** Of Jesus From The Cross of Jn. 19:26-27
 - A. To His **Mother** cf Jn. 19:26
 1. Jesus Addresses Her Not As Mother But **Woman** The Translation Of The Greek Word (γύναι); English Transliteration *gunai* In The Vocative Case Which Was A Term Of Polite **Respect** And / Or **Tenderness** And **Affection** cf Mt. 15:28; Lk. 13:12; Jn. 2:4; 4:21; 8:10; 20:13, 15

- a. The Use Of 'Woman' To Address His Mother Here And In Jn. 2:4, May Have Been To Manifest The **Change** Which Mary Would Have To Make From Her Mother-Son Relationship With Jesus To The **Savior – Saved One** Relationship With Jesus
 - b. In Order To Become A Part Of The Family Of God And Have Everlasting Life With God, A Person's Relationship Relative To Jesus Christ Must Change To A **Savior – Saved One** cf Mt. 12:46-50; Mk. 3:31-35; Lk. 18:19-21; Jn. 6:40
2. ". . .Behold thy son. . ." The Son Does **Not** Refer To Jesus But To The **Disciple** Whom He Loved; Who Was The **Apostle John**
 3. Jesus **Performed** His Duty To God The Father Without **Neglecting** To Fulfill His Responsibility, As A Son To His Mother
- B. To The **Disciple** Whom He Loved: 'Behold thy mother!'; With These Words And The Words, 'Behold Thy Son' Jesus Might Have Showing Us That A New **Spiritual Family-Bond** Is To Exist Among Believers

IV. **What** People Must Do With The **Cross**

- A. They Must **Come** To The Cross Of Jesus *To Be Saved – Reconciled To God* cf Eph. 2:2q6; Col. 1:20, 22; 2:14
- B. Once A Person Has Come To The Cross And Trusted In The Lord Jesus Christ And His Death For Forgiveness Of Sin, He Is To **Never Forget** The Cross, But He Is Not To **Remain** At The Cross cf Lk. 22:19-0; 1 Cor. 11:23-25
- C. Turn Their Eyes From Christ **Crucified** On The Cross – To Christ As The **Savior** Who Has Been **Raised** From The Dead cf Mt. 28:5-8; Mk. 16:1-6; Lk. 24:1-9; 2 Tim. 2:8
- D. Go **Tell** Others About Jesus Who **Died** Upon The Cross For Our Sins And Is **Risen** From The Dead cf Mk. 16:7

