

# The World's Greatest Hero

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## Here's what our Hero did for you...

John 19:1-3

Then Pilate therefore took Jesus, and scourged *him*.<sup>2</sup> And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put *it* on his head, and they put on him a purple robe,<sup>3</sup> And said, Hail, King of the Jews! and they smote him with their hands.

Matthew 27:30

And they spit upon him, and took the reed, and smote him on the head.

Luke 23:33-34

And when they were come to the place, which is called Calvary, there they crucified him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left.<sup>34</sup> Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots.

## Mankind's two great villains are death and the Devil...

Hebrews 2:14

Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;

## You must accept our Hero's offer of salvation...

Luke 23:39-43

And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on him, saying, If thou be Christ, save thyself and us.<sup>40</sup> But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation?<sup>41</sup> And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds: but this man hath done nothing amiss.<sup>42</sup> And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom.<sup>43</sup> And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, To day shalt thou be with me in paradise.

2 Timothy 1:10

But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel:

## Jesus is the greatest!

**Greater than all creation** - He calmed the raging storm, multiplied the loaves and fish, gave sight to the blind, and walked on water.

**Greater than Abraham.** Jesus said that Father Abraham rejoiced at the thought of seeing His day... "before Abraham was, I AM." (John 8:53-58)

**Greater than Jacob.** As Jesus spoke with the Samaritan woman by Jacob's Well, He told her that He could give her "living water" (John 4:10). The woman asked if He was greater than our father Jacob? And Jesus replied that everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst again.

**Greater than Moses** – the most respected Jewish prophet. He emancipated Israel, worked miracles, and brought forth the Law. Moses predicted One would come that was like him, but greater. He said You must listen to him (Deuteronomy 18:15). Jesus fulfilled the Law (Matthew 5:17), emancipated us from sin and death (Romans 8:2), and was a powerful worker of miracles (Acts 2:22). Hebrews 3:3 tells us that Jesus was counted worthy of more glory than Moses.

**Greater than David.** Jesus quoted Psalm 110:1, pointing out that David calls the Messiah, the son of David, "my Lord" (Matthew 22:45). The Son of David, therefore, is greater than David and has a lineage greater than any earthly line of royalty.

**Greater than Solomon.** King Solomon's glory, wisdom, prestige, and power was without rival. Yet Jesus said, One greater than Solomon is here (Matthew 12:42).

**Greater than Jonah.** The prophet Jonah, although first disobedient, ending up in a great fish, was part of the greatest revival in history. An entire wicked city, Nineveh, turned to God for mercy. Jesus said, One greater than Jonah is here (Matthew 12:41).

**Greater than John the Baptist.** John was the final prophet of the Old Testament age, and had power like Elijah's (Luke 1:17). But John said Jesus was mightier than him, and that he was not even worthy to unloosen Jesus' sandals (Mark 1:7).

## Jesus' name is greater than all other names:

Philippians 2:9-11

Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:<sup>10</sup> That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of *things* in heaven, and *things* in earth, and *things* under the earth;<sup>11</sup> And *that* every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.