

Let This Cup Pass From Me

Matthew 26:39

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INTRODUCTION

When interpreting Scripture, it is important that we understand the difference between a Strict interpretation and a Symbolic interpretation. Both are valid, but must be determined by the context of the passage.

When “cup” is used symbolically it falls into two categories...

- A Cup of Joy (Psalms 16:5; 23:5; 116:13)
- A Cup of Judgment (Psalms 11:6; Isaiah 51:17)

Matthew 26:39 *...O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt.*

This cup that Jesus speaks of... cup of Joy or cup of Judgment?

I. The _____ of the Cup

In Isaiah 53, the prophet Isaiah foresees the wrath of God upon the Son of Man!

A. A Cup of _____ (Isaiah 53:1–3)

Isaiah 53:3 *He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief...*

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B. A Cup of _____ (Isaiah 53:4–5)

Isaiah 53:5 *But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.*

C. A Cup of _____ (Isaiah 53:5–6)

Isaiah 53:6 *All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.*

1 Peter 2:24

2 Corinthians 5:21

D. A Cup of _____ (Matthew 27:46)

Jesus had earlier said, “I and my Father are one” (John 10:30). It took our sin upon him to allow Jesus to know separation from the Father.

E. A Cup of _____ (Isaiah 53:10)

He was a substitutionary sacrifice for our sins!

II. The _____ of the Cup (Isaiah 53:10)

Isaiah 53:10 ...when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days...

There is a lot of doctrine summed up in the simple statement.

A. It _____ the Justice of God

1 John 2:2

B. It was a _____ Sacrifice

Hebrews 10:12

C. It _____ Salvation for the Repentant

Ephesians 1:7

MY NOTES
