

JESUS SAW You FROM THE CROSS

START OF HOLY WEEK

This is the beginning of the most holy of weeks, the week that changed the world forever. At His entry into Jerusalem, Jesus was wanted, welcomed and hailed triumphantly. The Apostles were all there when Jesus entered Jerusalem but only one of them was present at the Cross. If you had been there, where would you have been? Have you ever stopped and thought about it? Do you hope you would have been there, do you hope you would have stayed with Jesus as a good and holy soul?

Jesus saw you but you are thinking that was more than 2000 years ago. How can this be? It is hard for us to imagine because we only know how to measure things by time. However, God is timeless, not limited by time and space as we are for God is infinite, time does not exist in eternity; it's all the **"Eternal Now"**.... there is no beginning - there is no end. All Now!

At the Crucifixion, Jesus saw you from the cross - He nailed your sins, all your sins, on the cross and He embraced you with His saving arms. He saw your entire life and He willingly died for you no matter what has happened in your life. Now it is up to you to accept His forgiveness, move on. learn from your past experiences and through your faith, make the world a better place.

Now consider this! During the Passion, Jesus instituted the Eucharist because He wanted to remain with us until the end of time. Jesus took the bread, said the blessing, broke it and gave it to the Apostles, saying, "This is my body, which will be given for you; do this in memory of me." Three Key Words that we sometimes miss:

Do - This - Memory. Jesus is really saying to the Apostles (His Priests'). **Do** [*Take, Bless, Break and Give*]; **This is My Body** [*Make Me Present in the Eucharist at every Mass*] and the Greek word for **Memory**, *anamnesis*, means to bring the past into the present and the present into the past.

*****"The Eucharist is the miracle of miracles. Time and space do not exist for the Lord and at the moment of the Consecration at Mass, we are all taken to the foot of Calvary at the instant of the Crucifixion of Jesus Christ." Our eyes cannot see but we all are there at the very moment when Jesus is being crucified.** Yes, Jesus saw you from the cross just as He sees you now. So want Him, welcome Him, hail Him and **allow Jesus to touch you each week -right here at Mass!**

We adore you O Christ and we praise You because by Your Holy Cross You have redeemed the world!