

with the glory which | had with thee
before the world was.

| have manifested thy name unto the men
which thou gavest me out of the world:
thine they were, and thou gavest them me;
and they have kept thy word.

Now they have known that all things
whatsoever thou hast given me are of thee.

For | have given unto them the words
which thou gavest me;
and they have received them,
and have known surely that | came out from thee,
and they have believed that thou didst send me.

| pray for them: | pray not for the world,
but for them which thou hast given me; for they are thine.

And all mine are thine, and thine are mine;
and | am glorified in them.

And now | am no more in the world,
but these are in the world, and | come to thee.

Holy Father, keep through thine own name
those whom thou hast given me,
that they may be one, as we are.

While | was with them in the world,
| kept them in thy name: those that thou gavest me
| have kept, and none of them is lost,
but the son of perdition;
that the scripture might be fulfilled.

And now come | to thee; and these things
| speak in the world, that they might have
my joy fulfilled in themselves.

| have given them thy word;
and the world hath hated them,
because they are not of the world,
even as | am not of the world.

| pray not that thou shouldest take them
out of the world,
but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.

They are not of the world,
even as | am not of the world.

Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

As thou hast sent me into the world,
even so have | also sent them into the world.

And for their sakes | sanctify myself,
that they also might be sanctified through the truth.

Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also
which shall believe on me through their word;
that they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me,
and I in thee, that they also may be one in us:
that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.

And the glory which thou gavest me

I have given them;

that they may be one, even as we are one:

I in them, and thou in me,

that they may be made perfect in one;

and that the world may know that thou hast sent me,
and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.

Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me,
be with me where I am;

that they may behold my glory,

which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst me
before the foundation of the world.

O righteous Father, the world hath not known thee:

but I have known thee, and these have known
that thou hast sent me.

And I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare it:

that the love wherewith thou hast loved me
may be in them, and I in them.²

§ 96. How that Jesus fared from
evening time until the morning.

When Jesus had spoken these words, and when they had said
their prayers, and had glorified God, they arose and went
forth, he with his disciples, out of the city, unto the Mount of
the Olive-orchard, over the brook Kidron, unto a town which
was called Gethsemane, where was a garden, which he entered
into, and his disciples.

And Judas also, which betrayed him, knew well the place and
their habits, for Jesus, as he was accustomed, oftentimes resort-
ed thither with his disciples.

And Jesus told them that in that selfsame night they would all
forsake him, for it was so written beforehand in Prophecy.

But after he were risen from death to life, he said, he would
appear to them, & they would see him in Galilee. Then said
Jesus to them:

"All of you will be offended in me in this night, for it is written

'I will smite the shepherd

and the lambs of his flock

will be scattered.'

And what time I have arisen, I go before you to Galilee."

And then Peter answered him, that he would never forsake him.

"If all of them shall be offended in thee,

 I forever will not be offended in thee."

And Jesus answered him and said, that he would forsake him thrice that very night, ere the cock had crowed twice:

"Amen, I say to thee,

 In this night, before ever the cock crew twice,

 three times thou wilt deny me."

And Simon Kepha (Peter) said, this would not be, though he should die with him:

"If it shall be for me to die with thee, I will not deny thee."

So said they all.

And then Jesus when he arrived at the place, told his disciples that they should abide there for him, while he worshipped his Father:

"Pray that ye enter not into the region of temptation.

 Sit here, while I go and pray."

And he took Peter & the two sons of Zebedee, John & James, and he went forth, & became dreadful and sorry [troubled and distressed].

And he told them that he was sorrowful, even unto death, & urged them that they abide with him there and watch with him, & pray that they not fall for the blandishments of the Fiend:

"Lo, it doth grieve my soul even unto death;

 remain here and watch with me."

And he himself departed from them about a stone's throw, and he set his knees and fell on his face on the earth and was praying, and he was saying:

"My Father, if it can be let this cup pass me -

 but not mine will be done but thine."

And there appeared to him an angel strengthening him.

And he was in great care and zealously he was praying, and his sweat was as drops of blood and it was falling on the earth.

And he rose from his prayer and came unto his disciples and found them sleeping from their trouble. And he said to Peter:

"Simon, thou hast slept;

 so not even one hour have ye been able to watch with me?

 Watch and pray that ye enter not into temptation;

 the spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak."

And Jesus went quickly from them a stone's cast, and fell on

his knees to the earth, and for the second time besought his Father, if it were his will, that he be released from the [simplend-ing] passion. And the same word he said:

"My Father, if this cup cannot pass

but if I drink it, thy will be done!",

& besought his Father that he might do his will.

And with that came an angel from heaven to comfort him.

And Jesus then in anguish, lingered on in worship: and the sweat ran down to the earth from his body as drops of blood, And when he came again to his disciples, he found them all asleep for weariness.

And Jesus said to them:

"Awake, & pray"

that they might not enter into temptation, nor fall for the Fiend's blandishments.

And then he left them, and afterwards, when he had come to them again, he found as he had before, them sleeping, because their eyes with sleep were heavy and they knew not what they should say to him [or] how they could answer him and he left them and went to pray the third time, and again thus he saith to them:

"Sleep then and take your ease;

for lo, the hour hath come,

the end is near;"

And so he said to them that they had slept enough, and that they were to arise and go forth with him.

And he told them that his betrayer was nigh at hand:

"Why sleep ye?

Arise and pray that ye enter not into temptation.

Arise, let us go hence;

he that betrayeth me hath drawn near,

the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of the sinners."

And while yet he was speaking, lo, Judas, one of the Twelve, came, and with him a large company of pagan officers, with servants, & with rulers, & Pharisees & the masters [of the Law] who had taken with them men with arms and with lances and with torches, a great multitude carrying scimitars, swords, and staves from the chief priests and scribes and elders of the people, so as to take Jesus.

Jesus therefore, knowing all things that should come upon him, went forth, and said unto them,

"Whom seek ye?"

They answered him,

"Jesus of Nazareth."

Jesus saith unto them,

"I am he."

And Judas also, which betrayed him, stood with them.

As soon then as he had said unto them, "I am he," they went backward, and fell to the ground.

Then asked he them again,

"Whom seek ye?"

And they said,

"Jesus of Nazareth."

Jesus answered,

"I have told you that I am he: if therefore ye seek me, let these go their way:"

That the saying might be fulfilled, which he spake:

"Of them which thou gavest me have I lost none."

Now Judas the betrayer gave them a sign and said:

"That one which I kiss, him take hold of wearily and carry him along."

And immediately he drew near unto Jesus, and said to him:

"Hail, Rabbi!"

And kissed him. And they laid hands upon him and took hold of him. But Jesus said to him:

"Friend, wherefore art thou come to me, Judas, for with a kiss dost thou betray the Son of Man?"

And then came the constable [the magistrate], and the centurions, and the officers of the Jews, and took Jesus and held him.

Now when those with him, his disciples, saw that which was about to be, they asked him whether they should strike with swords:

"Our Lord, shall we smite them with the swords?"

And lo, then one of the disciples of Jesus, Simon, having a sword, drew it and smote the high priest's servant, and took off his right ear. The servant's name was Malchus.

And Jesus told them to wait, and told Peter that he put his sword away: for whoso smote more with the sword, with the sword would die:

"Enough as far as this man.

Put up thy sword into the sheath

for all they that take up the sword by the sword will perish.

The cup which my Father hath given me, shall I not drink it?

Or dost thou suppose that I cannot beseech my Father,
that I could not appeal to my Father for help,

and that he would send me more than twelve legions of angels?

But it is fitting that Scripture be fulfilled."

And then Jesus touched the servant's ear, and it became entirely whole.

And then all his disciples had left him and fled away, save a certain youth who followed him, wound only in a linen cloth. & there went many folk [who] made to hold him fast, and took hold of him; and he left the garment in their hands and fled from them all naked.

And then Jesus upbraided them, that they were come with an army by night, for to take him as though he were a thief.

And he said also to those chief priests and soldiers of the Temple and elders:

"As against a robber have ye come forth against me
with swords and with staves to take hold of me!

Daily that with you I was in the Temple,

I was sitting and teaching,
while ye were not putting forth hands
against me to take hold of me,

but this is your hour and authority of darkness

because the Scriptures of the Prophets
should be accomplished."

Then the band and the captain and officers of the Jews took hold of Jesus, and bound him, and led him away to Annas first; for he was father in law to Caiaphas, which was the high priest that same year, and then led Jesus to Caiaphas' house, who had married there the High Priest Annas' daughter, where was gathered the scribes and the elders of the people.

Now Caiaphas was he, which gave counsel to the Jews, that it was expedient that one man should die for the people.

And Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so did another disciple: that disciple was known unto the high priest, and went in with Jesus into the palace of the high priest.

And Peter and John fell back a far piece, in order to see how it would end.

And when they came to Annas' house, John entered in as someone who was known to the servants, but Peter stood at the door without.

Then went out that other disciple, John, which was known unto the high priest, and spake unto her that kept the door, and besought the porter to let Peter in which the porter did.

And the servants and officers stood there, who had made a great fire of coals all night in the midst of the courtyard, and set about it, warming themselves, for it was very cold and Peter was sitting by the guards, and a certain maid of the chief priest that kept the door, and besought the porter to let Peter in, saw him warming himself and she looked on him, drew near and saith to him:

"And thou also wast with Jesus the Galilean.

Art not thou also one of this man's disciples?"

But he denied in the sight of all and said:

"Woman, I know not what thou sayest,

I am not, neither am I acquainted."

And then, as Jesus stood before Annas, the high priest asked Jesus of his disciples, and of his doctrine.

And he answered & said that his teaching was no felony [i.e., that it was no transgression] or committed in private, but altogether aloud [i.e., publicly] before the folk in the Temple where he preached:

"I spake openly to the world;

I ever taught in the synagogue, and in the temple, whither the Jews always resort;

and in secret have I said nothing.

"Why askest thou me?

Ask them which heard me, what I have said unto them:

behold, they know what I said."

And when he had thus spoken, one of the officers which stood by gave him a buffeting under the ear, [and] struck Jesus with the palm of his hand, and asked him:

"Answerest thou the high priest so?"

Jesus answered him,

"If I have spoken evil, bear witness of the evil:

but if well, why smitest thou me?"

Now Annas had sent him bound unto Caiaphas the high priest.

And when he went forth to the door of the outer court another saw him, and she saith to them:

"Truly thou art of them, for thy speech also is like.

This one was with Jesus the Nazarene."

And again he denied and swore

"I know him not, this man."

And it happened as Simon Peter stood and warmed himself, that the porter came to him, and said that he had been with Jesus.

They said therefore unto him,

"Art not thou also one of his disciples?"

And Peter, before them all denied it, and said,

"Nay, I am not."

And then afterwards came another servant & said that he was one of the disciples of Jesus; and that seemed likely for he was a man of Galilee. & the other said that word might well be so.

One of the servants of the high priest, being his kinsman whose ear Peter cut off, saith that he had seen him in the garden with Jesus, where he was taken:

"Did not I see thee in the garden with him?"

Peter then denied again: and said that he knew him not, and would have gone away. And then began Peter to swear, & to curse all who had ever been with Jesus, and all who ever knew him.

"I know him not, this man",

And with that, as the word was in his mouth, immediately in the same hour the cock crew the second time; and Jesus our Lord turned about & beheld Peter.

And then it came to Peter's mind the words which Jesus had

said to him beforehand:

"Before ever the cock crow twice, three times thou wilt deny me"; And when the others let him go, Peter went forth out, and wept bitterly.

And then, as Jesus stood before Annas, they asked him of his disciples and of his teaching.

And he answered & said that his teaching was no felony [i.e., transgression] or committed in private, but altogether aloud [i.e., publicly] before the folk in the Temple where he preached.

And one of them gave him a buffeting under the ear, and asked him if he would answer so the High Priest.

And Jesus responded to him, telling him that if he had committed any misdeed, that he should tell him whereof; and if he could not tell whereof, that he smite him no more.

Now the chief priests and all the multitude were seeking against Jesus witness that they might kill him, and were not finding any; and many witnessing against him were lying witnesses, and their witness did not agree.

Now at the last came two others, witnesses of falsehood who said about him, that he had said that he would destroy God's Temple and make it whole again within three days:

"We ourselves have heard him that he said:

'I will pull down the Temple made with hands,

and in three days I will make another not made with hands."

And not even so did their witness agree but in nothing were they in accord.

And the chief priest rose in the midst and asked Jesus why it was that he answered not those who bore witness against him:

"Dost thou offer no answer?

What are these bearing witness against thee?"

And Jesus stood & answered not.

And again the chief priest importuned him to tell whether he were Christ, God's son:

"I adjure thee by the Living God,

that thou say to us if thou art the Messiah,

the Son of God, the son of the Blessed?"

And Jesus said to him that he it was, and that they would see him come in the bliss of God at the judgment of all the world.

"Thou hast said it. I am he, and I say to you henceforth

ye will see the Son of Man sitting on the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of heaven."

And then began the High Priest to rend his clothes; and said

that Jesus had mis-spoke [i.e., had blasphemed], and that they had no more need of witnessing, for had they not all heard it?

"Why henceforth is there required for you our witnesses?

For lo, all of you have heard from his mouth his blasphemy.

What seemeth it to you?"

And he asked them what they thought best be done. And all of them were judging him and said:

"He is guilty of death."

And then began they who held Jesus to spit on him, and to scorn him, and covered his eyes, and smote him under the ear and on the neck, and told him that if he were the Christ that he should say prophetically who it was that smote him.

And the men that had taken hold of him, of Jesus, were mocking him and were smiting him on the cheeks, and they hid his face and saying to him:

"Prophecy to us now Messiah, who is it hath smitten thee?"

And they began accusing him and were saying:

"We have found this fellow

that he perverteth our people

and doth forbid us, saying

that head money to Caesar we should not give;

and he saith of himself that he is King Messiah."

And again many other things they were blaspheming and saying against him. Then they drew near to him and some of them began to spit at him and to buffet him. And to many other shameful acts did they subject him.

Afterwards Annas sent Jesus to Caiaphas, the High Priest.

§ 97. How Jesus bore up from early morning until nine o'clock.

And when day dawned, as soon as morning arrived, all the masters of the Law [scribes], and the chief priests, and the elders in the land were gathered together and took their counsel as to how they could bring him to death.

And they brought him up to the house of their assemblies and they say:

"If thou art the Messiah, say to us."

And Jesus answered & said:

"If I tell you, ye will not believe me;
and if I ask you anything,
ye will not answer me, nor will you let me go.

But from this time forward

I will be on the right side of God, my Father."

They all say:

"Art thou of a truth the Son of God?"

He saith to them:

"Ye yourselves say that I am he."

They said,

"Then sayest thou, that thou art Christ, God's son?"

Said Jesus:

"So saith ye,"

They said,

"For what reason, do we desire witnesses?"

We have heard it from his own mouth."

And then everyone arose up, and bound Jesus, and led him from Caiaphas unto the hall of judgment: to Pilate, who was Lord & Chief Administrator of the people and Jurist under Caesar, and was pagan [i.e., a gentile]. & they brought Jesus to him and it was early, but they did not enter into Pilate's house, lest they be defiled, for they would be [ritually] clean, that they might in the evening eat the Paschal lamb.

And then Pilate went out to them, & asked:

"What accusation bring ye against this man?"

& they said that they found him teaching & prohibiting the folk to give tribute to Caesar: and he saith that he is God & king:

"If he were not a malefactor,

we would not have delivered him up unto thee."

And then Pilate commanded that they should judge him themselves:

"Take ye him, and judge him according to your law."

And they answered him that they could not put any man to death.

"It is not lawful for us to put any man to death:"

That the saying of Jesus might be fulfilled, which he spake, signifying what death he should die.

And then Pilate entered into the house where he gave judgment, and called Jesus forth.

And Judas, when he saw that the Jews had condemned Jesus to death, went & brought the thirty pence which the priests had given him, and proffered it upon them, and said that he had sinned in that he had betrayed this good man.

"I have sinned

that I betrayed the blood of the righteous!"

And they answered that he should see well to his own deed, but this was nothing to them.

"What is that to us? Thou wilt know."

And Judas cast down their silver in the Temple, and went forth, and hanged himself on an elder tree: and his belly was cleft [i.e., split wide open], and all his guts fell down at his feet. And then the chief priests took the pence [i.e., the silver coins], and said that they were not worthy for to be included along with the other offerings:

"It is not lawful to put it into the offertory,

because it is the price of blood."

But, through their council's deliberation, they bought there-with a potter's field, to bury the bodies of dead strangers. Therefore that hath been called Field of Blood unto this day. Then was fulfilled that which was said by the prophet:

"I took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of the dear one

that I held more dear than the sons of Israel,

and I gave them for the Potter's Field,

as the Lord commanded me."

And so it was foretold, for thus was it prophesied.

§ 98. How Jesus bore up from nine

o'clock until it was midday.

Then Jesus stood before Pilate who called Jesus, and asked him:

"Art thou the King of the Jews?"

Jesus answered him,

"Sayest thou this thing of thyself,
or did others tell it thee of me?"

Pilate answered,

"Am I a Jew?"

"Thine own nation and the chief priests
have delivered thee unto me:

what hast thou done?"

Jesus answered:

"My kingdom is not of this world:
if my kingdom were of this world,
then would my servants fight,
that I should not be delivered to the Jews:
but now is my kingdom not from hence.

Thou sayest that I am a king.

To this end was I born, and for this cause
came I into the world,

I am come for to bear witness to the Truth.

Every one that is of the Truth heareth my voice."

And then Pilate asked him:

"What is Truth?"

And they began accusing him and saying:

"We have found this fellow
that he perverteth our people
and forbid us saying that head-money to Caesar
we should not give; and he saith of himself
that he is King Messiah."

Pilate saith to the chief priests and to that multitude:

"No cause do I find against this man."

But Jesus answered neither them nor Pilate; who, however,
marveled greatly. But the Jews each and every one were
screaming out and saying that he had troubled all the folk and
stirred them all up from the district of Galilee unto Jerusalem:

"He hath troubled the people, teaching in all Judaea;
and he began from Galilee even unto here."

And when Pilate heard them saying 'from Galilee,' he asked
whether this man were a Galilean. & when that he knew that he
was under Herod's authority, he sent him again to Herod; for
Herod himself was in Jerusalem in those days of the Un-
leavened Bread.

§. *Jesus before Herod:*

And when Herod saw Jesus he had great joy, for he had been wishing to see him for a long time, because he was hearing about him and was hoping that some sign he would see from him coming to pass; and his miracles.

He was asking him questions, but Jesus returned him no answer, not a word, as if he were not there.

Now the chief priests and rulers were standing and accusing him fully; and Herod mocked him and his men-at-arms also, and he clothed with fair garments in mockery, in a white cloth as if he had been a fool, and sent him back again to Pilate.

And in that same day there was a reconciliation between Herod and Pilate, for before then they were enemies.

S. Jesus is returned to Pilate by Herod:

And then Pilate assembled the rulers, the chief priests, and the masters [of the Law] and all the folk, and said that inasmuch as he and Herod could find no cause for condemning him, he would chastise him and let him go free:

"Ye have brought up to me this man that ye say to me
that he hath stirred up your people,
and lo, I myself have examined him in your sight
and naught have I found about him of the things

for which ye blame him; nor yet Herod,
for I sent him unto him

and naught worthy of death hath he found about him,
neither hath there been by him any matter of death.

I will chastise him therefore and forgive him."

& with that all the folk besought Pilate that he would deliver them a man who was condemned, as he was wont to do every year in honor of the Feast.

And Pilate asked them whether they would prefer having Jesus, or else Barabbas who was a thief and for thievery and manslaughter [i.e., murder] which he had done in the City was taken and placed in prison.

And the folk, at the behest of the rulers and of the masters [i.e., the doctors of the Law], chose Barabbas.

And then Pilate asked them what he should do with Jesus, for he found no reason to condemn him. Then cried they all again, saying,

"Not this man, but Barabbas."

And then Pilate asked them what he should do with Jesus, for he found no reason to condemn him.

And with upraised voices, the Jews cried that he should have

him done on a rood [i.e., impaled on a torture stake], and ceased not their crying.

And then Pilate commanded that Jesus be scourged.

And his officers clad him in purple, and wrapped him in a mantle of scarlet, and, instead of a crown, set a garland of thorns upon his head and placed a reed in his hand, and knelt down before him, greeting him as a king, scratched him all about the face, and smote him all about under the ear, and took the reed and smote him upon the head. And said:

"Hail, King of the Jews!"

and they smote him with their hands.

Pilate therefore went forth again, and saith unto them:

"Behold, I bring him forth to you,
that ye may know that I find no fault in him."

Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe.

And Pilate saith unto them:

"Behold the man!"

When the chief priests therefore and officers saw him, they cried out, saying,

"Crucify him, crucify him."

And then they all cried with one voice that he do him on a rood.

And Pilate told them that they should take him & do him on a cross, for he found no cause with him.

"Take ye him, and crucify him:
for I find no fault in him."

The Jews answered him:

"Upon the usage of our Law
he should be done to death,
for that he made himself God's son."

And when Pilate heard that, he dreaded him all the more; and went again into the judgment hall, & asked Jesus:

"From whence art thou?"

But Jesus gave him no answer. Then saith Pilate unto him,

"What, speakest thou not unto me?"

Know thee not well

that I have power to put thee on a cross, to crucify thee,
and have power to let thee go alive?"

Jesus answered:

"Thou couldest have no power at all against me,
except it were given thee from above:

therefore he that delivered me unto thee
hath the greater sin."

And from thenceforth Pilate sought to release him: but the
Jews cried out, saying:

"If thou let this man go,

thou art not Caesar's friend:

whosoever maketh himself a king speaketh against Caesar."

When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he brought Jesus
forth, and sat down in the judgment seat in a place that is called
the Pavement, but in the Hebrew, Gabbatha.

And it was the preparation of the Passover, and about the
sixth hour: and he saith unto the Jews:

"Behold your King!"

But they cried out:

"Away with him, away with him, crucify him."

Pilate saith unto them:

"Shall I crucify your King?"

The chief priests answered:

"We have no king but Caesar."

And while all the Jews were gathered together Pilate saith
to them:

"Whom will ye that I release to you -

Jesus Bar Abba,

or Jesus called the Messiah?"

For Pilate knew that from envy they delivered him up.

And with that very word, and while he was sitting at the tribunal, Pilate's wife sendeth word to him, and bade that he should cease to involve himself with Jesus, for reason she said that she had been in great travail that selfsame day on account of a vision of Jesus:

"I have thou naught to do with that righteous one!

For much have I suffered this day in my dream
because of him."

And the chief priests persuaded the people that for Bar Abba they should ask, that he should release him to them and destroy Jesus.

And Pilate took water, and washed his hands there before all the folk, and said:

"I am clean of the blood of this righteous man.

This see ye well [i.e., Take care of this matter yourselves.]"

And they all answered:

"His blood fall on us and on our children."

And then Pilate released to them Barabbas, and took them Jesus for to be scourged [flogged] all according to their own will, and that they should place him on a rood.

Then delivered he him unto them to be crucified. And they took Jesus, and led him away.

And the heathen [gentile] officers took him and led him within the court, and assembled about him the entire company of five hundred officers, and arrayed him in the manner of a king as they had done beforehand, and laughed him to scorn, and knelt before him, and greeted him with scorn as a king, and scratched him amidst his visage [about his face], and smote him upon the head with a reed.

And so then they unclad Jesus of the purple, and clad him with his own clothes, and laid the cross upon his own shoulders, and led him out of the City, and two others who were condemned with him.

§. *Via Dolorosa:*

And he bearing his cross went forth into a place called the place of a skull, which is called in the Hebrew Golgotha.

Now while going forth, so came there a strange man [i.e., a foreigner] passing by the way, a Cyrenian whose name was Si-

mon the Leper, who was coming from the field, the father of Alexander and of Rufus, and the Jews forcefully compelled him to take the cross, and bare it upon his back and come after Jesus.

And there followed him a great press of folk, and many women who bewailed Jesus and lamented his death.

And Jesus turned about and bade them not to weep for him, but for the vengeance which the folk had deserved, and for the vengeance which would fall upon them:

"Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me;
but weep for yourselves and for sons!

For the days will come in which ye say:

'Happy is it for the barren,
and for the wombs
that have not borne,
and for the breasts
that have not given suck!'

And then ye will begin to say to the hills

'Fall on us!' and to the heights 'Cover us!'

Seeing that with the green wood these things they do,
with the dry what will it be?"

§ 99. How Jesus bore up from noon
until mid-afternoon:

And when they came upon the Mount of Calvary, and brought him to the place called Golgotha, which is interpreted 'The place of the Skull'; then they stripped Jesus and made him all naked, and put him upon the cross.

And it was the third hour.

And then they gave him to drink wine perfumed with perfume, wine mixed with myrrh and gall, and set it to Jesus' mouth; and he tasted it, but he would not drink it. He received it not.

And then were crucified with him two evil-doers, two thieves, [for] the Jews hanged one thief upon the right side, & another thief on the left side.

And so then did Pilate write on a board attached to the cross in Hebrew, Greek, & Latin, that he was Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews.

And many Jews read that writing, for this was located nigh at hand to the City.

And they all cried to Pilate and said:

"Write that he *said* he was King of the Jews,
but not that he *is* King of the Jews."

And Pilate answered them that these words were written, & would remain.

And they divided his garments among them and cast for them lots; and they were sitting and keeping watch there.

And while they were sitting they wrote his trespass and set it over his head:

"Jesus, this is the king of the Jews."

And Jesus besought his father:

"My Father, forgive them,
for they know not what they do."

And then the soldiers when they had crucified Jesus, took and parted his garments in four parts, a part to every soldier: but his kirtel [i.e., his outer tunic] they said they would not rend, for it was sown all of one piece, woven from the top throughout.

They said therefore among themselves:

"Let us not rend it,
but cast lots for it, whose it shall be";

that the scripture might be fulfilled, which saith;

"They parted my raiment among them,

and for my vesture they did cast lots."

These things therefore the soldiers did.

And so then they sat down and beheld how Jesus' mother and John and Mary Clopas and Mary Magdalene went and stood beside the cross of Jesus.

And then when Jesus saw his mother and John, his disciple whom he loved so much, standing there, Jesus said to his mother:

"Woman, look! There is thy son."

And so then he said to John:

"Look, there is thy mother."

And from that time forward John received her, and kept her as his mother.

And the Jews standing about, waiting to see what should befall, then went before Jesus, and stood and shook their head at him, and scorned him, and bade him that he should save himself, if he were God's son, and come down from the cross; and reproached him for that which he had said that he would destroy God's Temple and make it whole again in three days. And those that were passing by were blaspheming against him and wagging their heads and saying:

"Oh! Puller down of the Temple and builder of it in three days, save thyself alive and come down from the cross!"

And again the chief priests with the Scribes [doctors of the Law] and Pharisees, laughing among themselves, mocked him:

"He hath others saved alive, and may he not save himself?

The Messiah, if he is the King of Israel - let him come down from the cross, that we may see and believe!

He hath trusted in God, - let him deliver him now if he is pleased with him; for he said

"I am the son of God!"

And then they all began to cry:

"If thou be Christ, and rightful King of Israel, come down from the rood tree, and we shall believe in thee.

Thou who trusteth in God, now let him save thee if he will,

for thou sayest

that thou art God's son."

And also the soldiers scorned him, and told him if he were King of the Jews that he should save himself.

And those evil-doers also that were crucified with him like the rest were reproaching him.

Now one of those evil-doers that were crucified with him was blaspheming against him and saying:

"Art thou not the Messiah?

save thyself alive,

and save alive us also!"

And his comrade, the other thief, rebuked him and said to him:

"Not even of God art thou afraid,

seeing that lo, we also -

we are in the same judgment?

And lo, we -

as we deserve it hath befallen us,

and as we have done we have been repaid;

but this one - not even aught disgraceful

hath been done by him.

Doubt not God.

For our wicked deeds we have deserved this vile death:

and Jesus never did but good."

And then he besought Jesus that he would think of him when he came into his Reign. And he said to Jesus:

"My Lord, remember me

what time thou comest in thy kingdom."

And Jesus answered him and said, that self-same day he would be with him in Paradise:

"Amen, I say to thee today

that with me thou shalt be in paradise

in the garden of Eden."

And it was about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour and the sun was darkened.

And then from noon to the height of midday, the sun withdrew its light, about the sixth hour until the ninth hour, the sun was darkened and it became as dark as night over all the land.

§. 100. How Jesus bore up from three

o'clock until evening time.

At mid afternoon, at the ninth hour, Jesus cried out with raised voice and wept:

"*Eloi, Eloi, lama sarachthan?*"

and said this psalm of the P salter,

"*Deus, Deus, meus respice in me.*"

"My God, My God, why hast thou forsaken me?"

And those folk that were standing there, when they heard it, say:

"This man for Elijah hath called!"

And immediately one leapt up, and took a sponge, and wet it in vinegar, and, adding hyssop thereto, placed it upon a reed and put it to Jesus' mouth for him to drink.

And then as one body the Jews tarried and waited to see whether Elijah would come forth to deliver him:

"Let be; we shall see if Elijah cometh and take him down and saveth him alive."

And Jesus, having thus fulfilled all the Scripture which was said through prophecy of his passion, save that it was said that he should drink vinegar, at which point Jesus said:

"I thirst."

After this, when Jesus therefore had received the vinegar,

knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled, saith:

"It is finished"

And he, Jesus, crying out with a mighty voice, said:

"Father, into thine hands I lay my spirit."

And with those words he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost to God his father and his spirit went up.

And with that was rent in twain from the midst of it the veil of the Temple sanctuary from the very top unto the bottom, and the earth quaked and the stones in the depths were cleft, the Temple's lintel of wondrous size fell and broke to pieces, and the tombs were opened, and many bodies of the righteous which were asleep arose and went forth from the tombs after his resurrection and came to the Holy City and appeared to many.

And then the centurion, who was over an hundred soldiers, who stood on both halves [i.e., on either side] so as to behold Jesus, when they saw the earthquake and the things that came to pass, feared exceedingly, and said:

"Truly this is a righteous man.

Truly this is the son of God!"

And all the soldiers had great dread on account of their having seen fully how he died of his own good will.

And all the folk who stood by and saw these marvels, knocked on their breasts [pounded their chests] as being culpable, and turned again unto the City, saying:

"Woe to us! What hath befallen us? Woe unto us from our sins!"

And his friends stood afar, and with them the women who had followed him from Galilee unto Jerusalem, and were serving him - Mary Magdalene, and Mary daughter of James the Little, the mother of Joseph, and Salome, and the mother of the sons of Zebudee, and they were seeing these things, and published them abroad.

§ 101. How Jesus was drawn after death.

So then the Jews came, for they did not want the dead bodies hanging on the rood [the torture stake] so near unto the City upon the Sabbath of the feast of Passover.

They came to Pilate and besought him that he would let them break their thighs, so that they should die the sooner and let them be taken down.

And then the soldiers came and broke the limbs of the thieves

who hung beside Jesus; to the first and to the other but Jesus' thighs they broke not, for they found him all so starkly dead & cold: but a soldier smote him with a spear to the heart, & forthwith out came water & blood for these things were done, that the scripture should be fulfilled:

"A bone of him shall not be broken."

And again another scripture saith:

"They shall look on him whom they have pierced."

And then when it was evening time, a rich, noble baron, good & righteous, this Joseph of Arimathaea, came who had ten soldiers to his banner, and who had not consented to the council & to the deeds of the Jews; for he was secretly one of Jesus' disciples, for dread of the Jews.

And he entreated in haste on account of the Sabbath, and came to Pilate and besought him that he give him Jesus' body. And now Pilate had great wonder that Jesus was so soon dead, and sent to the officer in charge who kept him, & told him that he should send him tidings regarding whether Jesus were dead. And he answered and said,

"Yea, it is true."

And then Pilate gave Jesus' body to Joseph, and Joseph went forth and took it down.

And with that came master Nicodemus, who first came to Jesus by night, and brought with him myrrh and incense and wormwood, a mixture of myrrh and aloec, about a hundred pounds worth.

And Joseph brought a fine winding sheet, new & clean, and placed the spices therein: and afterward took another fair, new sheet, fine and clean, and wound Jesus body therein, and that other over all about, as rich Jews were accustomed to be buried.

Now beside where Jesus was crucified there was a garden, and in that garden a new cave had been made in the rock in which no body had ever before been laid: but Joseph had had it made for his own use. And therein, for the Sabbath was nigh, they laid Jesus' body, and rolled a great stone before the entrance of the sepulcher. And now was he long dead.

Though it was not for this that the women had always followed, they saw how Jesus body was buried.

And these women that came with him from Galilee came to the tomb on their footsteps, and they saw the corpse when they brought it in thither. And there were there Mary Magdalene and the other Mary, and they were sitting opposite the tomb.

And so long as they were able to work before the Sabbath,

they went and bought a rich ointment which is called "aromatha" and they prepared all their ointment so as to come and anoint Jesus' body with it.

And when they were done helping, they returned to the City and made ready spices and oil of perfume; and on the Sabbath they rested, as it is commanded.

And upon the day following the day of the preparation, which the Jews call parasceven, the priests and the Pharisees came to Pilate, and urged him to consider what Jesus had said beforehand, that he should rise from death to life the third day, & they sought of him to set a lookout on the body in the sepulchre until the third day, that his disciples not come and steal his body, and tell the folk that he was risen from death to life.

"Our Lord, we have remembered that
that deceiver was saying when he was alive

'After three days I arise';

but command them to take heed to the grave

until three days are past,

that his disciples may not come in the night and steal him away,
and say to the people

that he has risen from among the dead,

and the last error be worse than the first."

And Pilate answered them that they should go and keep it as well as they could :

"Ye have a guard; go, take heed of the grave as ye know how."

They went and took heed to the grave and the soldiers went forth there armed, and sealed the stone that lay before its entrance with the guard.

§ 102. How Jesus arose from death to life and raised many other dead men with him.

Upon the morrow, as early as any man could worship, at the dawn of the first day of the week, so the Marys – Mary Magdalene and the other Mary, Mary the daughter of James, and Salome – went and bought the aromatic ointments, which they had prepared, oil and sweet spices for to come to the tomb when the sun was up & to anoint Jesus' body.

And lo, then at that very hour the earth quaked exceedingly, for the angel of the LORD came down from heaven, and he rolled away the stone from the sepulchre and sat upon it; and his appearance and visage were as red as fire, was like to lightning, & his clothes as white as snow, and for fear of him trembled those watchers keeping watch [of] the sepulchre, [who] were all abashed & fell down for fear, as if they had been dead.

And Jesus Christ very early then, as they came towards the sepulchre, was risen from death to life, & many other dead men, who came and showed themselves in the City.

And they came, and they saw that the stone was rolled away, and they were saying in themselves:

"Now who hath rolled away for us the stone of the tomb? for it was great exceedingly."

And then the women came towards the sepulchre in that garden, and they entered the tomb and saw a youth sitting on their right hand and clad in a white robe, and they were afraid. The angel answered and said to the women:

"Ye women, fear not; for I know well

Jesus the Nazarene whom ye seek, him that was crucified, he is risen from death to life and is not here: even as he said to you from the first."

Come, see the place where he had been laid!

And when it was grieving them about this, they saw two persons standing over them, and the clothing of them was shining and the women were afraid; and they bowed their heads and were looking on the earth from their fear. Those men say unto them:

"Why seek ye the living among the dead?

He is not here, but hath arisen;

recollect that which he spake with you

while he was in Galilee

and had said to you that the Son of Man

is about to be delivered up

into the hands of sinful folk

and be crucified, and in three days he will rise."

And then the angel told them that they should go and say to Peter as well as to the other disciples that Jesus was arisen.

"Go quickly and say to his disciples and to Kephā

'That he hath risen, and lo, he goeth before you to Galilee: there shall ye see him, as he said to you: lo, I have told you.'

And then two angels stood at their side, and showed them the napkin & the cloths, & told them that they should think about what Jesus first said to them and warned them how that it behooved him to suffer passion on the cross, and die, and the third day arise from death to life.

At which point they bethought them well on Jesus' words.

And when they heard then they left behind their sorrowful demeanor, and went forth with great awe & great joy for to speak forth to the apostles these good tidings.

§ 103. How Jesus appeared to Mary

Magdalene who was dear to him.

Now when Jesus was risen the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had cast seven demons.

And Mary Magdalene, as soon as she saw the stone had been removed, ran off and told Peter & John that Jesus' body had been stolen away, and saith unto them:

"They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid him."

And then Peter & John immediately rose up, and went to the Sepulchre. But St. John came first to the sepulchre, though he went not within: and he knelt down, & saw naught but the sheet in which Jesus had been wound.

And when Peter came, he went in and kneeled down, and saw the sheet & the girdle [i.e., the undergarment] which had been about Jesus' body.

And then John entered and saw also, and believed that the body had been borne away. For they did not know the scripture which said that it behooved Jesus to arise from death to

life, & so enter into his bliss. & so they went away again to their own home.

Meanwhile, as the angel showed them these things, so was the Magdalene by the other side, and came to the sepulchre and stood without & wept.

And as she wept, she stooped down, and looked into the sepulchre and then she beheld, and saw two angels in white clothing, one who sat at the head, & the other at the feet where the body of Jesus had lain. And they say unto her,

"Woman, why weepest thou?"

And she answered & said:

"Because they have taken away my Lord,
and I know not where they have laid him."

And with that the angels arose to meet Jesus, who came and stood behind the Magdalene. And she turned herself about, and thought him to be the gardener.

And then Jesus asked her:

"Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou?"

She, supposing him to be the gardener, saith unto him,

"Sir, if it be that thou hast bome him away,

tellest thou me where thou hast laid him
and I shall bear him away privately."

And with that she turned herself towards the angels to have some comfort. And Jesus called her:

"Mary."

And then she knew him by his voice, and she turned and fell down at his feet and said,

"Hail! Sweet Sir."

And then Jesus bade her that she should go and say to her brethren that he should ascend to his father and to her father, and to his God & to her God also. Jesus saith unto her:

"Touch me not;

for I am not yet ascended to my Father:
but go to my brethren, and say unto them:

'I ascend unto my Father, and your Father;
and to my God, and your God.'"

§ 104. How Jesus showed himself
to the other women.

And they departed in haste from the tomb and with fear and great joy did run to bring his disciples word and to no one

ought said they, because they had been afraid.

And then as the women went towards the apostles for to tell them what the angel had said to them, and the Magdalene came and went with them, so came Jesus & greeted them, saying:

“All hail!”

And they fell down at his feet and worshipped him, and hailed him and kissed his feet.

And then Jesus bade them that they should have no dread, but that they should go unto Galilee to meet him, and there they would see him. Jesus unto them:

“Be not afraid: go tell my brethren
that they go into Galilee, and there shall they see me.”

§ 105. How the soldiers that kept
watch at the sepulchre took
council as to what they
would do.

Meanwhile, as the women went to the apostles, so came those who had been watching the sepulchre, and went into the City & told the rulers and the priests all that they had seen.

And then all the elders of the folk assembled themselves to-

gether, and took their council as to what could be done, that the resurrection of Jesus not be believed.

And then they gave great treasure to the soldiers in order that they would say that Jesus' disciples had come, and borne away his body whilst that they slept: and they promised them that they would make their peace with Pilate, that he might not be wrathful towards them.

“Say ye,

‘His disciples came by night,
and stole him away while we slept.’

And if this comes to the governor's ears,
we will persuade him, and secure you.”

And the soldiers took the treasure, and told the folk all they had been instructed to say: and so they made the folk to understand from that day forward.

§ 106. How the ladies showed the
resurrection of Jesus Christ
to his disciples.

When the ladies came to the apostles, they told how they had seen the angels, and how Jesus was risen from death to life.

And they asked how they had seen this. And some of them

answered & said how they saw an angel sitting, and some said they had seen two angels standing: and so they believed them not, but discounted their words as being but a trifle.

And then came the Magdalene with the other Marys, even these - Mary Magdalene and Johan and Mary daughter of James, who had seen Jesus, and they found the apostles weeping and lamenting, and then they told them that which Jesus had sent them to say and they, when they heard that he was alive, were not believing them.

§. *Appearance of Jesus to James the Just:*

Now the Lord, when he had given the cloth to the servant of the priest, went to James and appeared to him. For James had taken an oath that he would not eat bread from that hour on which he had drunk the cup of the Lord till he saw him risen from the dead.

Again a little later the Lord said,

"Bring a table and bread,"

He took bread and blessed and broke it and gave to James the Just and said to him:

"My brother, eat your bread,
for the Son of Man is risen from those who sleep."

§ 107. How Jesus showed himself to Peter.

And when Simon Peter heard that they had seen Jesus, he rose up and went to the sepulchre.

And immediately Jesus showed himself to Peter. And then Peter returned and went to the apostles, and said to them who were there, that he had seen Jesus and that of a truth he was arisen from death to life.

§ 108. How Jesus showed himself to Cleopas & to Luke his fellow, as they were going by the way.

After that he [Jesus] appeared in another form unto two of them [Cleopas and Luke], as they walked and went into the country.

Now it came to pass on the morning of that selfsame day, after when the women who had seen the angels had come to the apostles, and after Peter and John had returned from the sepulchre, that two disciples who had been with Jesus went out of the town of Jerusalem toward a village that is called Emmaus, which was eight miles and a half from Jerusalem.

And as they went by the way, they spoke one with the other of many things that betided of [i.e., that pertained to] Jesus, lamenting the things which had transpired, so came Jesus right immediately overtaking them along the way and was walking with them; and their eyes were held that they should not perceive him: and they knew him not but as a stranger.

And Jesus asked them of what things did they speak as they walked, and why were they so sorrowful.

"What are these words that ye are speaking, being sad?"

And the one who answered was called Cleopas, and said that he marvelled that he knew not of that which had come to pass during the feast in Jerusalem:

"Art thou then a stranger by thyself from Jerusalem,

Not acquainted with that which hath come to pass there?"

He saith to them:

"What?"

And they said, of Jesus of Nazareth, who was so noble a man of God, a prophet, both in word & in deed, with power and this before God and before all the folk: and how the rulers and the priests had condemned him & did him to a stake of impalement.

"And we thought that he had been Christ and have overcome all.

And we were hoping that it was he who was about to redeem Israel; and now it is the third day since this was done.

But one of our women hath made us afraid, because at morn this very day she was at the sepulcher, and found not his body, but said that she saw two angels who said that he was alive.

Other women of ours had gone to the tomb where he was laid, and when they found not his body they came saying to us: 'Angels we have seen there, and we have been astonished; and the women say of him that he is alive.

And some of our fellows went thither and found it as the women had said. But him they found not."

Then said Jesus to them:

"Ah lacking of faith and heavy of heart to believe! From all the things that the prophets have spoken, was not the Messiah about to endure these things and to enter glory?"

And he had begun to say to them from Moses and from all the prophets, and was interpreting to them about himself from all the Scriptures.