

The Greatest Story Ever Told Selected Scripture April 20, 2014

Introduction:

I. Jesus' Trial (Matthew 26:59-68)

C. S. Lewis:

"When Christ died He did not die for societies or states, not for the impersonal masses of humanity, not even for men, but for each man and each woman individually."

- II. Jesus' Death
 - A. He was mocked with passion (Matthew 27:29-31).

Oswald Chambers:

"The Cross of Jesus is the revelation of God's judgment on sin. Never tolerate the idea of martyrdom about the Cross of Jesus Christ. The cross was a superb triumph in which the foundations of hell were shaken. There is nothing more certain in time or eternity than when Jesus Christ died on the Cross; He switched the whole of the human race back into a right relationship with God. He made Redemption the basis of human life, that is, He made a way for every son of man to get into communion with God. The cross was not something that happened to Jesus—He came to die; the cross was His purpose in coming."

- B. He was scourged with passion (John 19:1).
- C. He died with passion (I Corinthians 15:3).

III. Jesus' Resurrection (Romans 1:4).