Subject: The Passion of the Christ Posted by GodofDeath on Fri, 09 Apr 2004 02:55:41 GMT

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JavaxcxMy views on the film: 
\*\*\*spoilers\*\*\*

Jesus killing the snake in the garden: While I know the snake represented evil, the snake was nonetheless a living creature, so why did Jesus kill?

The seeming infinite amount of blood: Jesus bled so much that IMO he would have either contracted hypothemia from exposure, or simply bled to death. Remember that the guards did beat him after his "chastising". Moreso, even on the walk with the cross; with all the open bleeding wounds, how can his physical body endure so much without failing?

The raven pecking Gebble's (sp) eyes out: While I know that one of the men crucified with Jesus went to Heaven, the other went to hell, I don't remember a raven appearing and torturing him.

The destruction of the Temple and the shattering of the Tabernacle: Again, I don't recall (at least from my Catholic upbringing and exposer) that after Jesus' death, the Temple split OR the Tabernacle shattered. And if this DID happen, wouldn't the Jewish people have reformed?

Just some questions, perhaps someone can enlighten me.

I am new to this forum but I can answer your questions from my stand point!

Jesus smashing the head of the serpent is symbolism for a passage in Genesis...

Quote:"...and I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed:You shall strike at his heel and he shall stomp on your head..."

It is true that Jesus did lose a lot of blood!! Doesnt that show you his divinity?? I mean how many people could lose that amount of blood and still have the strength to go on!

THe Raven pecking out the man's eyes are showing us, again through symbolism the horrors and grossness of sin!

The temple splitting was a little over done of course, but it was over done to show you the severity of what grieveous sin the people committed and acctually if you have learned a little of the Jewish faith you would know that When they are condemning the Lord they say the following... Quote:"We have no king but Caesar!!!"

In the normal Jewish faith that is the ultimate blasphemy!! You are saying that a simple man is king over God which is completely untrue!!! Thus you see how sin can start off one thing but then spiral into worser and worser things!! In scripture all they say was that the temple veil was split in 2. This veil was ment to section off a holy area that only the high priest could enter on Yom Kippur. It is where God is supposed to be in the temple and if it is ripped in 2 then anyone can see in and it shows that God is not there! Thus God is showing them the grievious sin they committed again!! Also the Jews would not have reformed because they though one what they were doing

was right by the way the Sanhedrin convinced them! And two they were in the state of mortal sin which blinds people!

Also for the few of you who may be wondering my religion teacher explained to us what the devil holding that ugly baby meant. It is just a way of the Devil mocking Jesus and Mary's relationship

Also yes we asks Saints and Mary to pray for us, they are closer to God then we are and here on Earth we need all the Prayers we can get!!! So no talking to Bill Clinton wont get u jack squat one he is here on Earth and two. ewww ewww! !!!!

Anyway by now if you are wondering I am Catholic and I believe that the movie was very touching!! It brought me to a more understanding of what Christ endured for our sins. He didnt have to come down as a lowly human but did so to show us how much he loves us. I also think that in no way did it ever come near to being anti-semitic. It was based off the Bible. In the Bible the Jews condemned him. They messed up but o well. We cant hold it against the present Jews. Anyway that was my view on The Passion! Hope I learned you all a thing or two!!! Sorry for the occasional spelling error and of course if oyu wish to look up bible passages http://www.bible.com is one of the best places!!!!