

## **Broadway MBC - Tree Of Life Inspirational Word**

**John 19:18 ESV** 

There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them.

The Great Theologian N. T. Wright said this: "Jesus' death was seen by Jesus himself ... as the ultimate means by which God's kingdom was established. The crucifixion was the shocking answer to the prayer that God's kingdom would come on earth as in heaven."

As followers of Jesus Christ, the hallmark and standard of our Christian faith, our Christian doctrine, and our Christian belief is that we serve a Savior that indeed died for us. We should never forget that we are the beneficiaries of a suffering day, because of what that day encountered and what that day brought to us.

That day is a day that is mixed with love, grief, suffering, blood, missed opportunities, a disrespected Savior, but a resounding hope! That is something that we should always think about, that we have been given life, we have been given forgiveness, and we have been given grace and that is because of what our Savior endured for us on the Christ!

The Cross is the love of God, the cross is man's guilt being washed away by Jesus's blood, the cross is the symphony that never stops playing, the cross is the sunshine that shines every day, and the cross is the miracle of a new start. Jesus had to take this punishment for us, but we should never forget how blessed we are, and how fortunate we are that He indeed did take this punishment for us on the cross!

We are the beneficiaries of a wiped debt, and we should always thank God that He wiped our debt away and that we can always thank the Lord that we have been saved!

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