

Therefore, having disciplined him, I will release him.

[23] But they insisted with a kol gadol demanding him to be hanged on HaEtz and their voices were roiv (the larger portion) prevailing.

[24] And Pilate decided that their demand be accomplished.

[25] And Pilate released the one they were requesting, the one who had been thrown into the beis hasohar on account of an insurrection and retzach, but Rebbe Melech HaMoshiach he delivered over to their ratzon.

[26] And as they led him away, having seized a certain Shimon, a Cyrenian, coming in from the country, they put upon him Moshiach's Etz to carry, following Rebbe Melech HaMoshiach.

[27] And a great multitude of HaAm were following him and nashim, who were acting as avelim, lamenting for him.

[28] And having turned to them, Rebbe Melech HaMoshiach said, Benot HaYerushalayim (Daughters of Yerushalayim), stop weeping for me; weep for yourselves and for your yeladim,

[29] Because, hinei, yamim are coming in which they will say, Ashrey are the barren and the wombs which did not bear and the breasts which did not nurse.

[30] Then they will begin to say to the mountain, Fall on us! And to the hills, Bury us. [Hos 10:8; Isa 2:19]

[31] Because if while an etz (tree) is green they do these things, what may happen when it is dry? [Ezek 20:47]

[32] And two POSHA'IM (criminals, resha'im, YESHAYAH 53:9,12) were also being led away with Rebbe, Melech HaMoshiach to be executed.

[33] And when they came upon the place being called The Skull, there they hanged each on his etz, Rebbe, Melech HaMoshiach and the POSHA'IM (criminals, YESHAYAH 53:12), one on the right, and one on the left.

[34] But Rebbe Melech HaMoshiach was saying, Abba, grant selicha to them, for they have no daas of what they are doing. And dividing up his garments, VAPPILU CORAL (they cast lots). [TEHILLIM 22:19(18)]

[35] And HaAm had stood watching. And the manhigim were mocking him also, saying, Others he saved, let him save himself, if this one is the Rebbe Melech HaMoshiach of Hashem, the Bechir Hashem. [Psa 22:17; Isa 42:1]

[36] And the chaiyalim also ridiculed him as they approached, offering CHOMETZ (wine vinegar Psa 69:21) to him, [Psa 22:7]

[37] and saying, If you are HaMelech HaYehudim, save yourself.

[38] And there was also an inscription over him, THIS IS HAMELECH HAYEHUDIM.

[39] And one of the POSHA'IM (criminals, YESHAYAH 53:12) having been hanged with him was speaking Chillul Hashem gadfanut against him, saying, Are you not the Rebbe Melech HaMoshiach?

[40] Save yourself and us. And in reply the other, rebuking him, said, Do you not have yirat Shomayim? For you are under the same gezar din (verdict) of harshaah (condemnation as guilty).

[41] And this is a just gezar din against us, for we deserve what we are getting for our ma'asim (deeds). But this one did nothing rah.

[42] And he was saying,

Yehoshua, remember me when you come into your Malchut.

[43] And Rebbe, Melech HaMoshiach said to him, Omein, I say to you, hayom (today) with me you will be in Gan Eden.

[44] It was already the sixth hour [*noon*] and choshech was over the whole land until the ninth hour. [Amos 8:9]

[45] The shemesh being obscured; and the Parochet [*between the Kodesh HaKodashim and HaKodesh*] in the Beis Hamikdash was torn in two. [Ex 26:31-33]

[46] And having cried out with a kol gadol, he said, Abba, BYADCHA AFKID RUCHI (into your hands I commit my ruach TEHILLIM 31:6[5]). And this having said, he breathed out his last.

[47] And the centurion who saw the thing that happened was saying, Baruch Hashem, surely this man was a Tzaddik.

[48] And when all the hamon (crowd) that had assembled at this spectacle had observed the things that had happened, they went away beating their chests.

[49] And all his acquaintances stood at a distance and the nashim, the ones following him from the Galil, observed these things.

[50] And, hinei, a man by name Yosef being a member of the Sanhedrin, and an ish tov and a tzaddik

[51] (This one had not consented to their cheshbon and action) came from Ramatayim, a shtetl of Yehudah. He was waiting expectantly for the Malchut Hashem.

[52] He approached Pilate, and asked for the gufat Yehoshua. [TEHILLIM 16:9-10; IYOV 19:25-27; YESHAYAH 53:11]