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That is to the Passover. This journey was from the east side of Jordan (Matthew 19:1). At this time he was on this journey to Jerusalem, probably not far from Jericho. This was his last journey to Jerusalem. He was going up to die for the sins of the world. (Barnes' Notes)



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“All the males of the Jews were required to be at this feast (Ex 23:17). The roads, therefore, on such occasions, would probably be thronged. It is probable, also, that they would travel in companies, or that whole neighborhoods would go together. See Luke 2:44. By his taking them apart is meant his taking them aside from the company. He had something to communicate which he did not wish the others to hear. Mark 10:32 adds: ‘And Jesus went before them, and they were amazed; and as they followed they were sore afraid.’” (Barnes' Notes)



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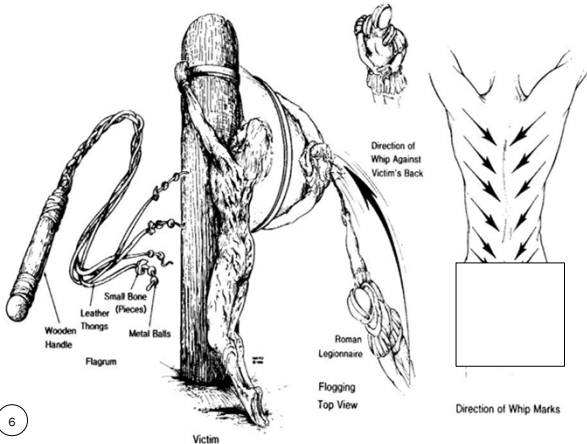
- For a third time Jesus tells His disciples what was going to happen to Him in Jerusalem (Matthew 16:21-23; 17:22-23; 20:17-19).
- He was thus betrayed by Judas. (Matthew 26:15)
- He was delivered to the chief priests and scribes. (Matthew 26:57)
- He was condemned to death.
 - The Jews had not power to inflict death, as that power had been taken away by the Romans; but they had the power of expressing an opinion, and of delivering Him to the Romans (Gentiles) to be put to death. This they did. (Matthew 26:66; 27:2-11, 27-30; cf. John 18:31)

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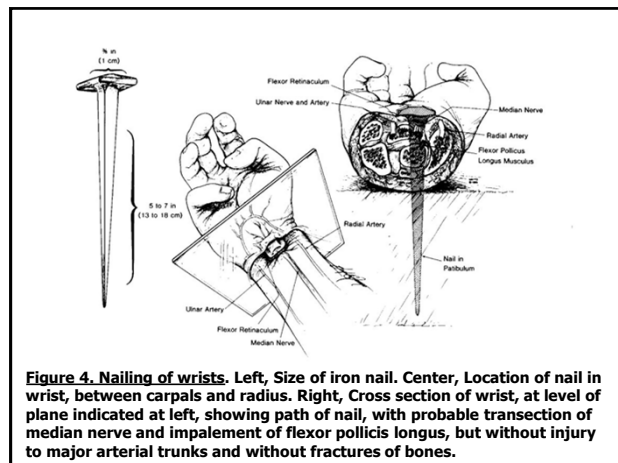
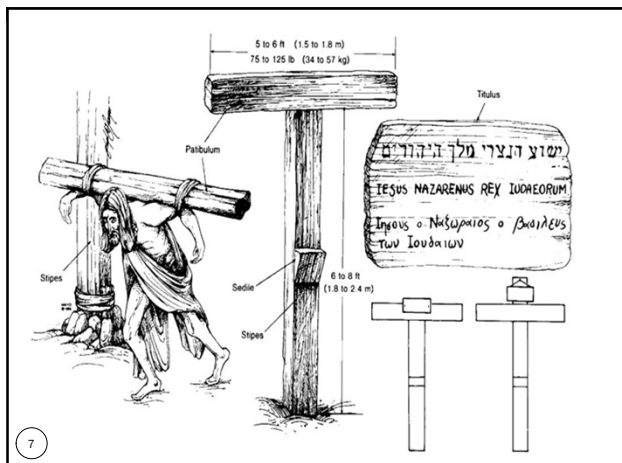


Figure 4. Nailing of wrists. Left, Size of iron nail. Center, Location of nail in wrist, between carpal and radius, at level of plane indicated at left, showing path of nail, with probable transection of median nerve and impalement of flexor pollicis longus, but without injury to major arterial trunks and without fractures of bones.

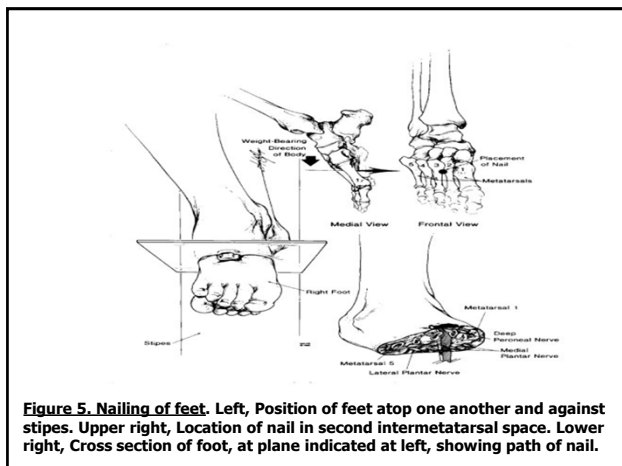


Figure 5. Nailing of feet. Left, Position of feet atop one another and against stipes. Upper right, Location of nail in second intermetatarsal space. Lower right, Cross section of foot, at plane indicated at left, showing path of nail.

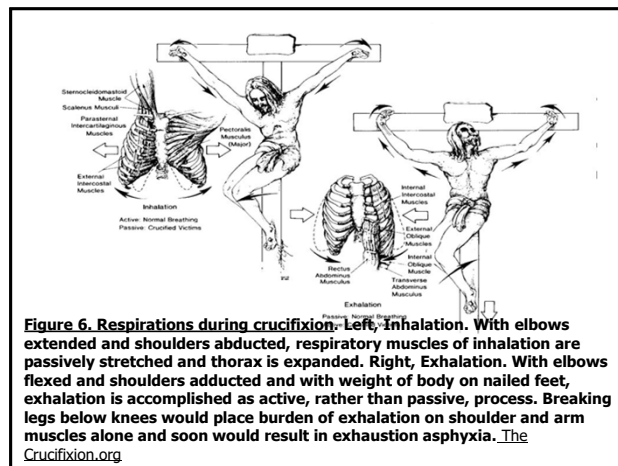


Figure 6. Respirations during crucifixion. Left, Inhalation. With elbows extended and shoulders abducted, respiratory muscles of inhalation are passively stretched and thorax is expanded. Right, Exhalation. With elbows flexed and shoulders adducted and with weight of body on nailed feet, exhalation is accomplished as active, rather than passive, process. Breaking legs below knees would place burden of exhalation on shoulder and arm muscles alone and soon would result in exhaustion asphyxia. [The Crucifixion.org](http://TheCrucifixion.org)

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 Luke 18:34, "And they understood none of these things; and this saying was hid from them, and they perceived not the things that were said." (NOTE: Peter's previous response ... Matthew 16:21-22)

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The Request

- To sit on the right hand of a sovereign ruler is to occupy the highest position of honor that he can give.
- To sit on the left hand is to occupy the second highest position.
- Both positions entail not only great honor but also involve tremendous responsibility. To occupy these positions in the Kingdom of Christ was the heart's desire of these two brothers.

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- See context: Matthew 19:23-30
- Faith in the promises. See Matthew 20:17-19 and Luke 18:34
 - Men of lesser faith would have wavered.
 - We should never abandon the conviction that the victory belongs to our Lord. cf. 1 Corinthians 15:25-26; 55-58
- Unquestioned loyalty.
- Ambitious.
- The request not denied.