

The Two Trials of Jesus

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Easter Sunday

On this day we typically look at the trial of Jesus as a singular event, however today I want to show you something from the scriptures



Book of Matthew

For the purpose of
today's sermon I
want to look at the
story of Jesus' trial
as told by the Gospel
writer Matthew

THE GOSPEL OF

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Matthew 26

⁴⁷ While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, arrived. With him was a large crowd armed with swords and clubs, sent from the chief priests and the elders of the people.

Genealogy of Jesus
This record of the genealogy of Jesus
Christ the son of David, the son of
Abraham was the father of Isaac,
Isaac the father of Jacob,
Jacob the father of Judah and his
brothers,
Judah the father of Perez and
Zerah, whose mother was Tamar,
Perez the father of Hezron,
Hezron the father of Ram,
Ram the father of Ammon and
Manasseh the father of Simeon,
Simeon the father of Judah,
Judah the father of Issachar,
Issachar the father of Zebulun,
Zebulun the father of Joseph,
Joseph the father of Jesus
Christ the son of David.

¹⁷ Thus there were fourteen generations
all from Abraham to David, fourteen
from David to the exile to Babylon, and
fourteen from the exile to the birth of
Jesus, who is called
the Christ.

The Birth of Jesus Christ

After it was born the birth of Jesus Christ
came about this manner. When Mary was
married to Joseph, and before they came
together she was found with child through
the Holy Spirit. When Joseph was a
just man, and did not want to expose her,
he intended to divorce her privately.
When he had thought these things, behold
an angel of the Lord appeared to him in
a dream, saying, Joseph, son of David, fear
not to take Mary as your wife, for that which
is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit, and
she will bear a son, and you shall call his
name Jesus, for he will save his people from
all their iniquities. And all this was done
that it might be fulfilled which was spoken
by the Lord through the prophet, saying,
Behold, I am sending my messenger before
my face, and he will prepare the way before
me, so that I may come and my temple be
built, says the Lord of hosts. And you shall
know that I am the Lord your God, when
I shall come, says the Lord of hosts.

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Verse 57

⁵⁷ Those who had arrested Jesus took him to Caiaphas the high priest, where the teachers of the law and the elders had assembled.

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Amminadab the father of Nahshon,
Nahshon the father of Salmon,
Salmon the father of Boaz, whose
mother was Rahab,
Boaz the father of Obed, whose
mother was Ruth,
Obed the father of Jesse,
Jesse the father of David the king.
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to make her a public example.

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Before Pilate

¹¹ Meanwhile Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?"
"You have said so," Jesus replied.

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Roman Oppression

The Romans only cared about silencing those who spoke against the injustices of the empire in pretty much the same way the current administration is trying to silence the voice of my Alma Mater, Harvard University

A dramatic landscape photograph taken from inside a cave, looking out through a large, irregular opening. The scene outside is a hill with three wooden crosses. The central cross is the tallest, flanked by two shorter ones. The sun is setting directly behind the central cross, creating a bright, glowing light that illuminates the sky and the hill. The sky is filled with vibrant, colorful clouds in shades of orange, red, and purple. The cave's interior is dark and textured, with the rough, rocky walls visible on the left and right sides of the opening. The overall mood is solemn and contemplative.

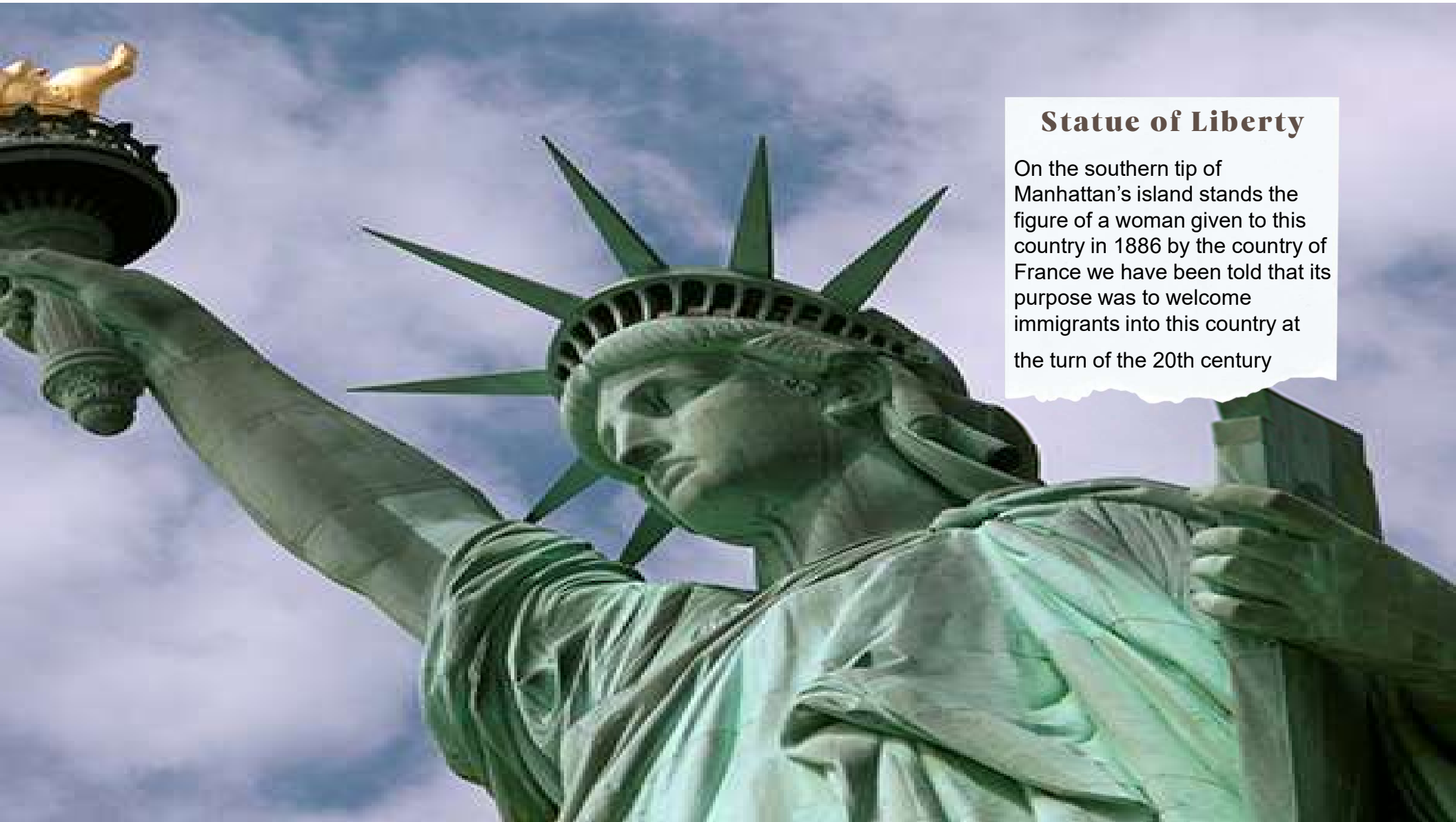
Jesus on the Cross

As Protestants we prefer the empty cross rather than the cruxifix because we believe that Jesus is no longer on the cross but has left the cross and been resurrected on this day



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But sometimes it is good to remember what Jesus did on the cross before he left it empty which was to die for humanity and thereby purchase our redemption and make it possible to correct our relationship with God the father.



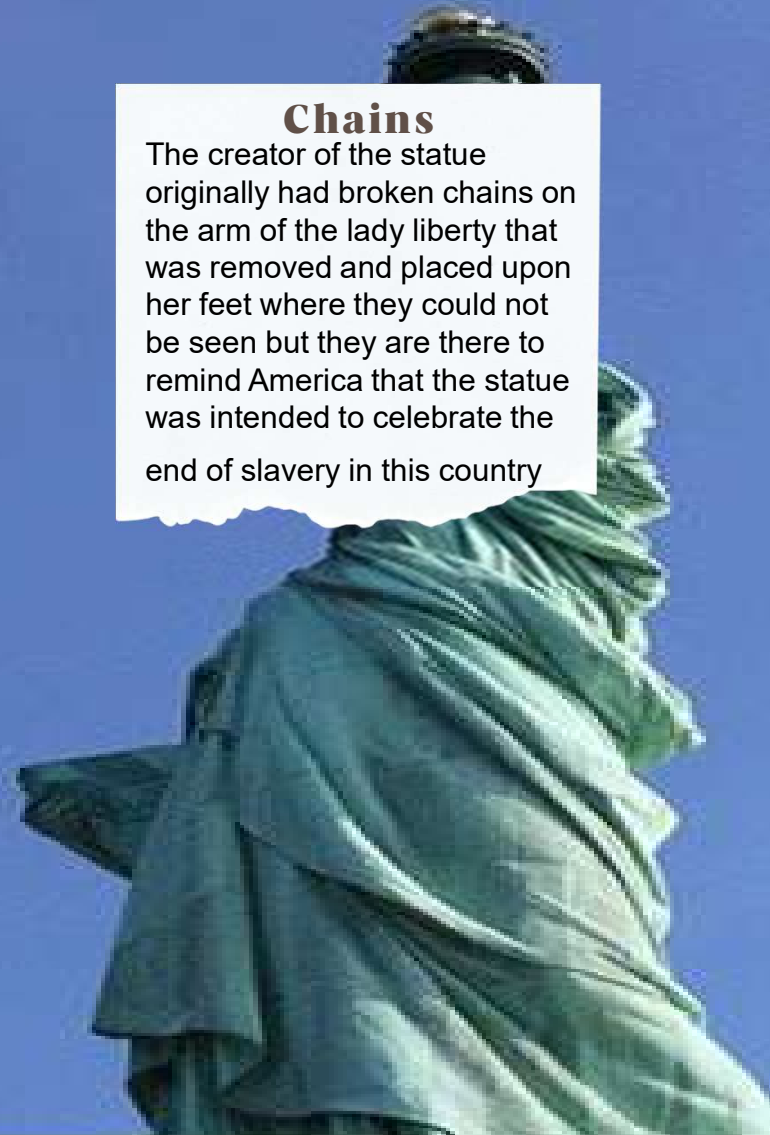
Statue of Liberty

On the southern tip of Manhattan's island stands the figure of a woman given to this country in 1886 by the country of France we have been told that its purpose was to welcome immigrants into this country at the turn of the 20th century



Chains

The creator of the statue originally had broken chains on the arm of the lady liberty that was removed and placed upon her feet where they could not be seen but they are there to remind America that the statue was intended to celebrate the end of slavery in this country



Thank You for Watching

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