



GOLGOTHA

CHALLENGE PACKET

Thursday, April 17 - Good Friday, April 18

24 HOURS TO
GOLGOTHA



FCA has the vision to see the world transformed by Jesus through the influence of coaches and athletes. We're on mission to lead EVERY coach and athlete into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ and His church.

We like to say "EVERY MEANS EVERY"... And our prayer is that by the grace of God we see that happen through the avenue of fitness.

Our prayer and vision for GOLGOTHA was and still is: To engage the fitness community with the ministry of FCA, to point people to the life-giving hope and transformational power found in the gospel of Jesus Christ, and to rally people together to raise money for a great cause - to raise as much money as possible to further the mission and vision of The Fellowship of Christian Athletes locally and globally.

In the Fall of 2022, Ryan Gloer (FCA Staff in Charlotte, NC - Founder of the GOLGOTHA 24-Hour Workout Challenge) went to one of the guys he was discipling and told him he was thinking about doing something crazy during the Easter 2023 weekend. Ryan shared that he was going to work out and train for 24 hours straight. The response he received was: "I'm in!"

During the training leading up to the event that guy ended up moving to a different state and wasn't going to be able to do it anymore. By that point Ryan was already committed and was all set to do it by himself in his garage gym. Then he received a phone call. About a month out from the very first GOLGOTHA, Jeremy Martin, founder and owner Ultimate Athlete called and asked, "Can I do it with you?"

Jeremy had one request: "Can we do it at my new headquarters? I'd love for this to be the very first workout at my new facility!" At that time, the new Ultimate Athlete HQ was still under construction! Despite the mess, the two guys met up on April 6-7, 2023 to take on the 24-hour challenge!

The only hour they were alone was the very first hour. People started showing up by the hour! For the next 23 hours they were surrounded by an amazing community that spurred them on until the very last rep! GOLGOTHA 2023 - the very first year - was officially in the books.

What started as a couple of guys in an unfinished facility in Charlotte, NC grew into Ervin Mack (FCA Staff) joining the party and hosting a group from his garage gym in Columbia, SC in year #2. After GOLGOTHA 2024, Ken Lovell (FCA Staff) in Jacksonville, NC and Krystal Peterson (FCA Staff) in Richland, WA reached out and said they were all in for GOLGOTHA 2025.

Having Ken and Krystal jump on board opened the door for Team FCA to form a unique and strategic partnership with Mayhem Athlete. Big thanks to the entire Mayhem crew for running INTO THE STORM with us and helping us take this thing to the next level! Praise God!

We now have groups gathering from coast to coast all over the country - and hopefully even around the world - to take on this challenge together and rejoice in the hope we have in Christ!

"GOLGOTHA" is the Aramaic name of the location where Jesus was crucified. It is also known as "Calvary" - "The Place of the Skull".

Isaiah 53:5 says, "But He was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on Him, and by His wounds we are healed." First Corinthians 15:57 says, "But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

The Gospel is the good news about what God has done, is doing, and will do through Jesus Christ. It's the good news that Jesus Christ, the righteous One, died for our sins, three days later rose again – eternally triumphant over all His enemies, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have everlasting life!

In His life, He lived the life we should have lived but didn't and couldn't. In His death, He died the death that we deserve to die, but don't have to. And in His resurrection, He gives us life that we do not deserve. What grace! What love!

Our hope is that as we train hard for His glory and as we push ourselves way beyond our limits through 24 hours of non-stop fitness – that we take time to intentionally celebrate the life that we have because of Jesus and His finished work!

As you take on GOLGOTHA — whether you're doing one hour or all 24 hours — whether you're in a garage gym or a gigantic facility — remember, IT MIGHT FEEL LIKE FRIDAY, BUT SUNDAY IS COMING!

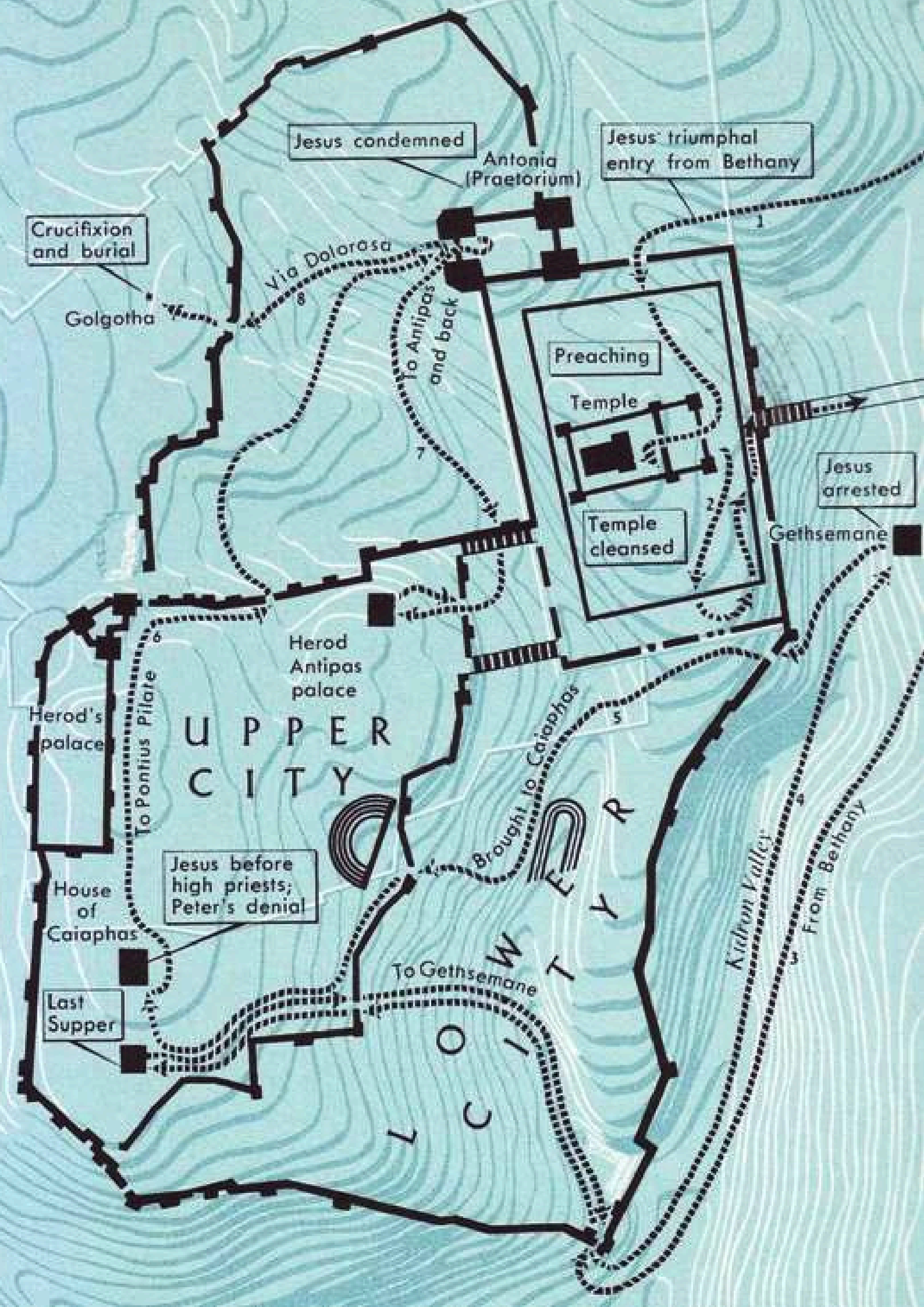
Jesus is risen and the tomb is empty – and because of that we have real and lasting hope!

PRESS ON, Train Hard, and GO GET SOME! God Bless!

Ryan

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"If it seems we are crazy, it is to bring glory to God."

2 Corinthians 5:13



Schedule

01

Devotional

WATCH THE YOUTUBE DEVOTIONAL VIDEO

DURATION: 5-MINS

02

Warm-Up: Mental

SET THE SPIRITUAL MINDSET FOR THE WORKOUT

DURATION: 1-MINS

03

Warm-Up: Physical

BRIEF WORKOUT, COACH MOVEMENTS, WARM-UP

DURATION: 5-10 MINS

04

Workout

PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAMMED WORKOUT

DURATION: 10-15 MINS

05

Wrap-Up: Huddle

HUDDLE UP! DEBRIEF THE WORKOUT/EXPERIENCE

DURATION: 10-15 MINS



Schedule



THURSDAY: APRIL 17, 2025

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

“Before I Suffer” (Fellowship Dinner)

Luke 22:14-15. “14 When the hour came, He reclined at the table, and the Apostles with Him. 15 Then He said to them, “I have fervently desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer.”

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

1. “Passover”

Matthew 26:17-20, Mark 14:12-16, Luke 22:7-13 & John 13:1a

13-min AMRAP: burpees to 6” target (red line)

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

2. “Supper”

Matthew 26:26-30, Mark 14:22-26 & Luke 22:14-20

Team of 2: E2MOM 22-mins (11 rounds), 19 WBs (unbroken weight)

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

3. “Washed”

John 13:4-17

Building to moderate heavy Dead Lift in 13-mins (barefoot)

7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

4. “Betrayed”

John 13:1-3, 18-19 & 21-30, Matthew 26:21-25 & Mark 14:17-21

21-22-23-24-25 reps of DUs & AbMat Sit-Ups

8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

5. “Scattered”

Matthew 26:31-35, Mark 14:27-31, Luke 22:31-34, John 13:36-38

On 3-2-1-GO, scatter to any machines or you can run... and accumulate 3-miles however you want

9:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

6. “Garden”

Matthew 26:36-39, Mark 14:32-36, Luke 22:39-44 & John 18:1

Team of 3 (one person working at a time): accumulate 39 reps each of DbI DB Burpee Clean & PRESS

Schedule



10:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

7. “Sleeping”

Matthew 26:40-46, Mark 14:37-42 & Luke 22:45-46

EMOM x 3:

- Minute 1: :26 Machine (~60% Effort)
- Minute 2: :26 Sphinx pose
- Minute 3: :26 Down Dog
- Minute 4: :26 Prayer Pose
- Minute 5: Cross-body Hip Stretch (:26 sec/leg)
- Minute 6: :26 Seated Hamstring Stretch
- Minute 7/14/21: Rest face down

11:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.

8. “Kissed”

Matthew 26:47-56, Mark 14:43-52, Luke 22:47-53 & John 18:2-11

6 Rounds:

- 12 Step back lunges (bodyweight) & 12 Hang Dumbbell Snatch (1x50/35)

GOOD FRIDAY: APRIL 18, 2025

12:00 a.m. – 1:00 a.m.

9. “Arrested”

Matthew 26:57-68, Mark 14:53-65, Luke 22:63-71 & John 18:12-13 & 19-24

AMRAP: 26 Minutes

- Partner 1: 10 Calorie Ski
- Partner 2: 10 Calorie Bike
- Partner 3: 10 Calorie Row

*Waterfall style

1:00 a.m. – 2:00 a.m.

10. “Denied”

Matthew 26:69-75, Mark 14:66-72, Luke 22:54-62, & John 18:15-18 & 25-27

“Triple 3” (Team of 3 split work as desired)

- 300 Double Unders
- 3000m Row
- 3 mile Run

*No music. Must do it in silence (Jesus remained silent)

Schedule



2:00 a.m. – 3:00 a.m.

11. “Pilate”

Matthew 27:1-2 & 11-13, Mark 15:1-3, Luke 22:66-23:5, & John 18:28-38 & 19:6-16

3 Sets: 5 Tempo Back Squats (6 second tempo ~ RPE 6)

3:00 a.m. – 4:00 a.m.

12. “Herod”

Luke 23:6-12

“Isabel” (Team of 2, split work as desired)

30 Snatches

(135/95)

4:00 a.m. – 5:00 a.m.

13. “Judas”

Matthew 27:3-10

“Grace”

30 Clean and Jerks

(135/95)

5:00 a.m. – 6:00 a.m.

14. “Barabbas”

Matthew 27:15-25, Mark 15:6-15, Luke 23:13-25, & John 18:38-40

Partner AMRAP 15 Minutes

26 Toes to Bar (Split)

27 Synchro Box Step Ups

6:00 a.m. – 7:00 a.m. (6:34 a.m. ~ sunrise)

15. “Crowned”

Matthew 27:27-31, Mark 15:16-20 & John 19:1-5

15-12-9

Handstand Push Up

Dumbbell Hang Power Cleans

(2x50/35)

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

16. “Carry”

Matthew 27:32 & Mark 15:20-21

Carry a loaded barbell (90/70#) 600m without putting it down.

Schedule



8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

17. “Criminals”

Matthew 27:38, Luke 23:32-33 & 39-43

3 Rounds (a hang, hold and push is one round)

Partner 1: Bar Hang

Partner 2: Farmer’s Carry Hold (2x50/35)

Partner 3: 100ft Sled Push (180/145)

*P 1&2 must hang/hold while P3 works

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

18. “Crucified”

Matthew 27:39-44, Mark 15:25-32, Luke 23:35-38

AMRAP 15-mins

9 Dumbbell Squats (50/35)

9 Calorie (any) Machine

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

19. “Wine”

Matthew 27:33-34, Mark 15:22-23 & Luke 23:36

23 minutes of Zone 2 (any machine or jog)

*No intake the entire hour

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

20. “Lots”

Matthew 27:35, Mark 15:24, Luke 23:34 & John 19:23-24 (Psalm 22:18)

4 Rounds: (16 Minutes)

Minute 1 - 3 Wall Walks

Minute 2 - 6 Strict Pull Ups

Minute 3 - 9 Push Ups

Minute 4 - 12 Toes to Bar

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

21. “Darkness”

Matthew 27:45, Mark 15:33 & Luke 23:44-45

AMCAP Bike in 23-mins

*set timer for 23-mins, turn lights off in gym, and cover timer/monitor.

You will not know how long you’ve gone, or how much time is left.

Schedule



1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

22. “Abandoned”

Matthew 27:46-49 & Mark 15:34-36

Leave the gym and run 15 minutes away alone and then return
(you must go somewhere alone, on your own)

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

23. “Last Breath”

Matthew 27:50-54, Mark 15:37-39, Luke 23:45-46 & John 19:28-30
27-23-19-15

Calorie Bike

Thruster (empty bar)



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Be prepared!



1. Prioritize rest this week (Tue-Wed) – rest your body!

2. Fuel to consider are simple CARBS: easily digestible, quick releasing and convenient to consume:

- Glucose + Fructose Combo: Sports drinks, energy gels, chews/gummies – your body can absorb more carbs per hour when both types are consumed.
- Real Food: Dried fruit, white bread, rice cakes, honey/jam, oat-based bars – more variety and satisfying for longer events like Golgotha.
- Simple Carbs + Electrolytes: Coconut water, pretzels with sports drinks, liquid carb drinks, a combo of the two categories above – this combo combats energy crash and dehydration which will be critical if you plan to do this event!
- Don't try new things on game day. Bring things your system is accustomed to but you'll need to consume every hour (except one).

3. Items to bring if you are staying a while:

- Resting supplies (pillow, mat, cot, freestanding hammock, or chair)
- Towel, changes of clothes, shower supplies (if needed), gym gear for all things Fitness.
- Headlamp if willing to run/walk outdoors
- Bible.
- Medical items: prescriptions, aspirin, ibuprofen, Tylenol.
- Recovery Tools. Roller, lacrosse ball, Massage Gun, etc.

4. Experience not Intensity: You can nap and skip workouts. No one is the hero, Jesus is and let's let Him do His thing - we are along for the ride. Modify, scale, and be expectant that the LORD will do mighty things through this.



“Before the Passover Festival, Jesus knew that His hour had come...”

John 13:1a

“Then the Day of Unleavened Bread came when the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. 8 Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, “Go and make preparations for us to eat the Passover.” 9 “Where do you want us to prepare it?” they asked Him. 10 “Listen,” He said to them, “when you’ve entered the city, a man carrying a water jug will meet you. Follow him into the house he enters. 11 Tell the owner of the house, ‘The Teacher asks you, “Where is the guest room where I can eat the Passover with My disciples?”’ 12 Then he will show you a large, furnished room upstairs. Make the preparations there.” 13 So they went and found it just as He had told them, and they prepared the Passover.”

Luke 22:7-13

THURSDAY



WARM-UP: MENTAL

Knowing that this had to happen... for you... every time you touch the red line, what would it mean to you to have the judgement of your sin covered by the blood of the Lamb.



WORKOUT

13-min AMRAP of burpee to target (red tape line touch)



WRAP-UP: HUDDLE

What were you thinking or feeling every time you touched the red line?



"As they were eating, He took bread, blessed and broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is My body." 23 Then He took a cup, and after giving thanks, He gave it to them, and they all drank from it. 24 He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant,, which is poured out for many. 25 Truly I tell you, I will no longer drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God." 26 After singing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives."

Mark 14:22-26

"...Do this in remembrance of Me."

Luke 22:19

THURSDAY



WARM-UP: MENTAL

For 22-mins you will be giving away... and receiving something. The question then, is will you give away your sin to the only one Who can take it... and then receive the gift of His body and blood?



WORKOUT

Team of 2:
E2MOM
22-mins (11-rounds)
19 Wall Balls



WRAP-UP: HUDDLE

Jesus said, "take it"... what are you feeling about receiving what He's offering?



“...He got up from supper, laid aside His outer clothing, took a towel, and tied it around Himself. 5 Next, He poured water into a basin and began to wash His disciples’ feet and to dry them with the towel tied around Him. 6 He came to Simon Peter, who asked Him, “Lord, are you going to wash my feet?” 7 Jesus answered him, “What I’m doing you don’t realize now, but afterward you will understand.” 8 “You will never wash my feet,” Peter said. Jesus replied, “If I don’t wash you, you have no part with Me.” 9 Simon Peter said to Him, “Lord, not only my feet, but also my hands and my head.” 10 “One who has bathed,” Jesus told him, “doesn’t need to wash anything except his feet, but he is completely clean. You are clean...”

John 13:4-17

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**WARM-UP: MENTAL**

Lifting without shoes on will leave most athletes with a feeling that’s hard to ignore ~ exposed... bare. Jesus, is in full view of what you’re trying to cover up and He came to cleanse you of that.

**WORKOUT**

Build to moderate heavy Dead Lift in 13-mins (barefoot)

**WRAP-UP: HUDDLE**

what was most awkward about walking around barefoot?





“...it was night.”

John 13:30

“While they were eating, He said, “Truly I tell you, one of you will betray Me.” 22 Deeply distressed, each one began to say to Him, “Surely not I, Lord?” 23 He replied, “The one who dipped his hand with Me in the bowl—he will betray Me. 24 The Son of Man will go just as it is written about Him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for him if he had not been born.” 25 Judas, His betrayer, replied, “Surely not I, Rabbi?” “You have said it,” He told him.”

Matthew 26:21-25

THURSDAY



WARM-UP: MENTAL

Have you ever had someone close to you, “double cross” you... betray you?



WORKOUT

21-22-23-24-25 reps of
DUs & AbMat Sit-Ups



WRAP-UP: HUDDLE

Reflecting on how you felt when someone betrayed you... how does this change your view of what Jesus did... for even people like that?



Scattered



"Then Jesus said to them, "Tonight all of you will fall away because of Me, for it is written: I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered. 32 But after I have risen, I will go ahead of you to Galilee." 33 Peter told Him, "Even if everyone falls away because of You, I will never fall away." 34 "Truly I tell you," Jesus said to him, "tonight, before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times." 35 "Even if I have to die with you," Peter told Him, "I will never deny You," and all the disciples said the same thing."

Matthew 26:31-35

THURSDAY



WARM-UP: MENTAL

Consider in light of Jesus knowing Judas would betray Him, and Peter would deny Him... He still kept them both close until the end



WORKOUT

On 3-2-1-GO, scatter to any machines or you can run... and accumulate 300 calories or 3-miles however you want



WRAP-UP: HUDDLE

From 2 Timothy 2:13, what does it mean to you that "if we are faithless, He remains faithful..."



"After Jesus had said these things (John 14-17 teachings), He went out with His disciples across the Kidron Valley, where there was a garden..."

John 18:1

"Then Jesus came with them to a place called Gethsemane, and He told the disciples, "Sit here while I go over there and pray." 37 Taking along Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, He began to be sorrowful and troubled. 38 He said to them, "I am deeply grieved to the point of death. Remain here and stay awake with Me." 39 Going a little farther, He fell facedown and prayed, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me. Yet not as I will, but as You will."

Matthew 26:36-39

" Being in anguish, He prayed more fervently, and His sweat became like drops of blood falling to the ground."

Luke 22:44

THURSDAY



WARM-UP: MENTAL

Considering Jesus was all God, and all man, reflect on the anguish He felt in the flesh for what was to come.



WORKOUT

Team of 3:
(one person working at a time)
accumulate 39 reps each
of Dbl DB Burpee
Clean & **PRESS**



WRAP-UP: HUDDLE

Share your thoughts on Jesus pulling in teammates to endure with Him. How'd you feel during this workout surrounded by others?



“Then He came to the disciples and found them sleeping. He asked Peter, “So, couldn’t you stay awake with Me one hour? 41 Stay awake and pray, so that you won’t enter into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.” 42 Again, a second time, He went away and prayed, “My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, Your will be done.” 43 And He came again and found them sleeping, because they could not keep their eyes open. 44 After leaving them, He went away again and prayed a third time, saying the same thing once more. 45 Then He came to the disciples and said to them, “Are you still sleeping and resting? See, the time is near. The Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. 46 Get up; let’s go. See, my betrayer is near.”

Matthew 26:40-46

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WARM-UP: MENTAL

Just verses earlier, Jesus told His disciples how hard it would be, and they boasted that they’d die for the Lord. But now, hard is hitting. Think about a time when you were exhausted from grief.



WORKOUT

EMOM x 3:

Minute 1: :26 Machine (~60% Effort)

Minute 2: :26 Sphinx pose

Minute 3: :26 Down Dog

Minute 4: :26 Prayer Pose

Minute 5: Cross-body Hip Stretch (:26 sec/leg)

Minute 6: :26 Seated Hamstring Stretch

Minute 7/14/21: Rest face down



WRAP-UP: HUDDLE

When it got hard, or when it’s been hard for you, what has empowered you to keep going?





“Judas, who betrayed Him, also knew the place, because Jesus often met there with His disciples. 3 So Judas took a company of soldiers and some officials from the chief priests and the Pharisees and came there with lanterns, torches, and weapons. 4 Then Jesus, knowing everything that was about to happen to Him, went out and said to them, “Who is it that you’re seeking?” 5 “Jesus of Nazareth,” they answered. “I am He,” Jesus told them. Judas, who betrayed Him, was also standing with them. 6 When Jesus told them, “I am He,” they stepped back and fell to the ground. 7 Then He asked them again, “Who is it that you’re seeking?” “Jesus of Nazareth,” they said. 8 “I told you I am He,” Jesus replied. “So if you’re looking for Me, let these men go.” 9 This was to fulfill the words He had said: “I have not lost one of those you have given Me.” 10 Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it, struck the high priest’s servant, and cut off his right ear. (The servant’s name was Malchus.) 11 At that, Jesus said to Peter, “Put your sword away! Am I not to drink the cup the Father has given Me?”

John 18:1-11

“Or do you think that I cannot call on my Father, and He will provide Me here and now with more than twelve legions of angels?”

Matthew 26:53

THURSDAY

**WARM-UP: MENTAL**

Jesus leaned on His purpose, not His power.

**WORKOUT**

6x:
12 Step Back Lunges
(bodyweight)
12 Hang Dumbbell
Snatch (1x50/35)

**WRAP-UP: HUDDLE**

Anyone remember a time when you were tempted to fight back, but chose rather to “take the high road?”





“Those who had arrested Jesus led Him away to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders had convened. 58 Peter was following Him at a distance right to the high priest’s courtyard. He went in and was sitting with the servants to see the outcome.

59 The chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were looking for false testimony against Jesus so that they could put Him to death, 60 but they could not find any, even though many false witnesses came forward. Finally, two who came forward 61 stated, “This man said, ‘I can destroy the temple of God and rebuild it in three days.’ ” 62 The high priest stood up and said to Him, “Don’t you have an answer to what these men are testifying against You?” 63 But Jesus kept silent. The high priest said to Him, “I charge you under oath by the living God: Tell us if you are the Messiah, the Son of God.” 64 “You have said it,” Jesus told him. “But I tell you, in the future you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of Heaven.” 65 Then the high priest tore his robes and said, “He has blasphemed! Why do we still need witnesses? See, now you’ve heard the blasphemy. 66 What is your decision?” They answered, “He deserves death!” 67 Then they spat in His face and beat Him; others slapped Him 68 and said, “Prophecy to us, Messiah! Who was it that hit You?”

Matthew 26:57-68

GOOD FRIDAY



WARM-UP: MENTAL

Is what you have to say about the Lord, lining up with truth?



WORKOUT

AMRAP: 26 Minutes
 Partner 1: 10 Calorie Ski
 Partner 2: 10 Calorie Bike
 Partner 3: 10 Calorie Row
 *Waterfall style



WRAP-UP: HUDDLE

What inconsistencies have you seen in Christians that cause you to question the authenticity of Jesus?





"While Peter was in the courtyard below, one of the high priest's maidservants came. 67 When she saw Peter warming himself, she looked at him and said, "You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth." 68 But he denied it: "I don't know or understand what you're talking about."

Then he went out to the entryway, and a rooster crowed. 69 When the maidservant saw him again, she began to tell those standing nearby, "This man is one of them." 70 But again he denied it. After a little while those standing there said to Peter again, "You certainly are one of them, since you're also a Galilean." 71 Then he started to curse and swear, "I don't know this man you're talking about!" 72 Immediately a rooster crowed a second time, and Peter remembered when Jesus had spoken the word to him, "Before the rooster crows twice, you will deny Me three times." And he broke down and wept."

Mark 14:66-72

GOOD FRIDAY



WARM-UP: MENTAL

Consider what it's like to behave like you don't know Jesus; to not care what happens to Him; and yet see Him die for you anyway.



WORKOUT

"Triple 3"

(Team of 3 split work as desired)

300 Double Unders

3000m Row

3 mile Run

*No music. Must do it in silence
(Jesus remained silent)



WRAP-UP: HUDDLE

In what ways do we deny Jesus today?

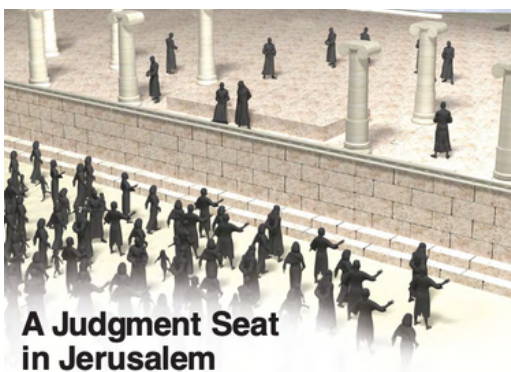


“Then they led Jesus from Caiaphas to the governor’s headquarters. It was early morning. They did not enter the headquarters themselves; otherwise they would be defiled and unable to eat the Passover. 29 So Pilate came out to them and said, “What charge do you bring against this man?” 30 They answered him, “If this man weren’t a criminal, we wouldn’t have handed Him over to you.” 31 Pilate told them, “You take Him and judge Him according to your law.” “It’s not legal for us to put anyone to death,” the Jews declared. 32 They said this so that Jesus’s words might be fulfilled indicating what kind of death He was going to die. 33 Then Pilate went back into the headquarters, summoned Jesus, and said to Him, “Are You the king of the Jews?” 34 Jesus answered, “Are you asking this on your own, or have others told you about Me?” 35 “I’m not a Jew, am I?” Pilate replied. “Your own nation and the chief priests handed You over to me. What have You done?” 36 “My kingdom is not of this world,” said Jesus. “If My kingdom were of this world, my servants would fight, so that I wouldn’t be handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.” 37 “You are a king then?” Pilate asked. “You say that I’m a king,” Jesus replied. “I was born for this, and I have come into the world for this: to testify to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to My voice.” 38 “What is truth?” said Pilate. After he had said this, he went out to the Jews again and told them, “I find no grounds for charging Him.”

John 18:28-38

“When the chief priests and the temple servants saw Him, they shouted, “Crucify! Crucify!” Pilate responded, “Take Him and crucify Him yourselves, since I find no grounds for charging Him.” 7 “We have a law,” the Jews replied to him, “and according to that law He ought to die, because He made Himself the Son of God.” 8 When Pilate heard this statement, he was more afraid than ever. 9 He went back into the headquarters and asked Jesus, “Where are You from?” But Jesus did not give him an answer. 10 So Pilate said to Him, “Do you refuse to speak to me? Don’t you know that I have the authority to release You and the authority to crucify You?” 11 “You would have no authority over Me at all,” Jesus answered him, “if it hadn’t been given you from above. This is why the one who handed Me over to you has the greater sin.” 12 From that moment Pilate kept trying to release Him... But the Jews shouted, “If you release this man, you are not Caesar’s friend. Anyone who makes Himself a king opposes Caesar!”

John 19:6-12a



A Judgment Seat
in Jerusalem

11 Pilate Cont...



13 When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus outside. He sat down on the judge's seat in a place called the Stone Pavement (but in Aramaic, Gabbatha). 14 It was the preparation day for the Passover, and it was about noon. Then he told the Jews, "Here is your king!" 15 They shouted, "Take Him away! Take Him away! Crucify Him!" Pilate said to them, "Should I crucify your king?" "We have no king but Caesar!" the chief priests answered. 16 Then he handed Him over to be crucified."

John 19:13-16



WARM-UP: MENTAL

It's important to remember that as we enter this part of the story, we'll spend the next 13-hours telling stories from the approximate 6-7 long hours, this very morning in history, where Jesus would be brought before Pilate and then... to the Cross.

GOOD FRIDAY



WORKOUT

3x 5 Tempo Back Squats
(:06 down ~ RPE 6)



WRAP-UP: HUDDLE

So often we want Jesus to prove things to us. We want Him to say again what's already been said. We want proof... He wants Faith. What's hard about enduring hard things, when you don't have the reason why?



“ When Pilate heard this, he asked if the man was a Galilean. 7 Finding that He was under Herod’s jurisdiction, He sent him to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem during those days. 8 Herod was very glad to see Jesus; for a long time he had wanted to see Him because he had heard about Him and was hoping to see some miracle performed by Him. 9 So he kept asking Him questions, but Jesus did not answer him. 10 The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing Him. 11 Then Herod, with his soldiers, treated Him with contempt, mocked Him, dressed Him in bright clothing, and sent Him back to Pilate. 12 That very day Herod and Pilate became friends. Previously, they had been enemies.”

Luke 23:6–12

GOOD FRIDAY



WARM-UP: MENTAL

In political history, we see Presidential Cabinet candidates spend hours being questioned before our government. Similar picture here as Jesus... is in focus and everything about Him is being questioned as to who He is.



WORKOUT

“Isabel”
(Team of 2, split work as desired)
30 Snatches
(135/95)



WRAP-UP: HUDDLE

In what ways to you find peace, when being accused or challenged by others?





“ Then Judas, His betrayer, seeing that Jesus had been condemned, was full of remorse and returned the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders. 4 “I have sinned by betraying innocent blood,” he said. “What’s that to us?” they said. “See to it yourself!” 5 So he threw the silver into the temple and departed. Then he went and hanged himself. 6 The chief priests took the silver and said, “It’s not permitted to put it into the temple treasury, since it is blood money.” 7 They conferred together and bought the potter’s field with it as a burial place for foreigners. 8 Therefore that field has been called “Field of Blood” to this day. 9 Then what was spoken through the prophet Jeremiah was fulfilled: They took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of Him whose price was set by the Israelites, 10 and they gave them for the potter’s field, as the Lord directed me.”

Matthew 27:3–10

GOOD FRIDAY



WARM-UP: MENTAL

Consider what some of your strongest temptations are to “sell out” and betray your core values.



WORKOUT

“Grace”
30 Clean and Jerks
(135/95)



WRAP-UP: HUDDLE

The Apostle Paul says in 1 Corinthians 10:13 that no temptation has overtaken you except what is common to man... and, that the Lord is faithful and will give you a way out. What have you found to be the best way out of temptations to betray your values?



“At the festival the governor’s custom was to release to the crowd a prisoner they wanted. 16 At that time they had a notorious prisoner called Barabbas. 17 So when they had gathered together, Pilate said to them, “Who is it you want me to release for you—Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?” 18 For he knew it was because of envy that they had handed Him over. 19 While he was sitting on the judge’s bench, his wife sent word to him, “Have nothing to do with that righteous man, for today I’ve suffered terribly in a dream because of Him.” 20 The chief priests and the elders, however, persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to execute Jesus. 21 The governor asked them, “Which of the two do you want me to release for you?” “Barabbas!” they answered. 22 Pilate asked them, “What should I do then with Jesus, who is called Christ?” They all answered, “Crucify Him!” 23 Then he said, “Why? What has He done wrong?” But they kept shouting all the more, “Crucify Him!” 24 When Pilate saw that he was getting nowhere, but that a riot was starting instead, he took some water, washed his hands in front of the crowd, and said, “I am innocent of this man’s blood. See to it yourselves!” 25 All the people answered, “His blood be on us and on our children!” 26 Then he released Barabbas to them and, after having Jesus flogged, handed Him over to be crucified.”

Matthew 27:15–26

“Now Barabbas was a revolutionary.”

John 18:40

GOOD FRIDAY

**WARM-UP: MENTAL**

Consider what it means to you, that Jesus... took your place?

**WORKOUT**

Partner AMRAP 15
Minutes
26 Toes to Bar (Split)
27 Synchro Box Step Ups

**WRAP-UP: HUDDLE**

Has anyone ever been in a position to be rightly punished for something you did wrong... but had someone take it away? How’d it make you feel?





“The soldiers led Him away into the palace (that is, the governor's residence) and called the whole company together. 17 They dressed Him in a purple robe, twisted together a crown of thorns, and put it on Him. 18 And they began to salute Him, “Hail, king of the Jews!” 19 They were hitting Him on the head with a stick and spitting on Him. Getting down on their knees, they were paying Him homage. 20 After they had mocked Him, they stripped Him of the purple robe and put His clothes on Him. They led him out to crucify Him.”

Mark 15:16-20

GOOD FRIDAY



WARM-UP: MENTAL

The verbal abuse of Jesus, has now turned physical.



WORKOUT

15-12-9
Handstand Push Up
Dumbbell Hang Power
Cleans
(2x50/35)



WRAP-UP: HUDDLE

Jesus didn't fight back. He didn't argue. But as Hebrews 12:2 tells us, for the joy set before Him, He endured. How are you feeling?



"They led Him out to crucify Him. 21 They forced a man coming in from the country, who was passing by, to carry Jesus's cross. He was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus."

Mark 15:20-21

GOOD FRIDAY



WARM-UP: MENTAL

The abuse that Jesus has endured so far, would have killed anyone else. He was so weak by this point, that He was unable to carry the cross bar He'd soon be nailed to.



WORKOUT

Carry a loaded barbell (90/70#) 600m without putting it down



WRAP-UP: HUDDLE

Tell us about someone you would endure anything for. What drives that?



"Two others—criminals—were also led away to be executed with Him. 33 When they arrived at the place called The Skull, they crucified Him there, along with the criminals, one on the right and one on the left."

Luke 23:32-33

39 Then one of the criminals hanging there began to yell insults at Him: "Aren't you the Messiah? Save Yourself and us!" 40 But the other answered, rebuking Him: "Don't you even fear God, since you are undergoing the same punishment? 41 We are punished justly, because we're getting back what we deserve for the things we did, but this man has done nothing wrong." 42 Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom."

43 And He said to him, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with Me in paradise."

Luke 23:39-43

GOOD FRIDAY



WARM-UP: MENTAL

One simple question... at this moment, which side of the Cross are you on?



WORKOUT

3 Rounds

(a hang, hold and push is one round)

Partner 1: Bar Hang

Partner 2: Farmer's Carry Hold (2x50/35)

Partner 3: 100ft Sled Push (180/145)

*P 1&2 must hang/hold while P3 works



WRAP-UP: HUDDLE

Have you ever felt the temptation to have your Faith defined by what Jesus does, or simply because of who He is?





“Now it was nine in the morning when they crucified Him. 26 The inscription of the charge written against Him was: The King of the Jews. 27 They crucified two criminals with Him, one on His right and one on His left. 29 Those who passed by were yelling insults at Him, shaking their heads, and saying, “Ha! The one who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, 30 save Yourself by coming down from the Cross!” 31 In the same way, the chief priests with the scribes were mocking Him among themselves and saying, “He saved others, but He cannot save Himself! 32 Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down now from the Cross, so that we may see and believe.” Even those who were crucified with Him taunted Him.”

Mark 15:25-32

GOOD FRIDAY



WARM-UP: MENTAL

Think on how Jesus had the power to stop the suffering. He could have saved Himself, yet he mostly stayed silent in the face of criticism, and stayed put in what God sent Him to do.



WORKOUT

AMRAP 15-mins
9 Dumbbell Squats (50/35)
9 Calorie (any) Machine



WRAP-UP: HUDDLE

What keeps you going, when it seems that everyone around you is criticizing what you know is important?





“They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means Place of the Skull). 23 They tried to give Him wine mixed with myrrh, but He did not take it.”

Mark 15:22-23

GOOD FRIDAY



WARM-UP: MENTAL

Jesus didn't just take on the punishment, but He allowed Himself to feel it.



WORKOUT

23 minutes of Zone 2
(any machine or jog)
*No intake the entire hour



WRAP-UP: HUDDLE

Do we have a mom here who's done it, or do you know someone who did, during child birth, decline an epidural to help manage pain. Why?



"When the soldiers crucified Jesus, they took His clothes and divided them into four parts, a part for each soldier. They also took the tunic, which was seamless, woven in one piece from the top. 24 So they said to one another, "Let's not tear it, but cast lots for it, to see who gets it." This happened that the Scripture might be fulfilled that says: They divided my clothes among themselves, and they cast lots for my clothing., This is what the soldiers did."

John 19:23-24

GOOD FRIDAY



WARM-UP: MENTAL

This isn't the first time we've read that something Jesus did during these 24-hours, fulfilled an Old Testament prophecy. In all, Jesus is said to have fulfilled over 300 of them!



WORKOUT

4 Rounds: (16 Minutes)
Minute 1 - 3 Wall Walks
Minute 2 - 6 Strict Pull Ups
Minute 3 - 9 Push Ups
Minute 4 - 12 Toes to Bar



WRAP-UP: HUDDLE

Jesus, was prayed for. The coming Messiah that would set the captives free. You might wonder then, why would they kill who they prayed for? Anyone else ever experience Jesus showing up for you, but not in the way you wanted?





"It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three,
45 because the sun's light failed."

Luke 23:44-45

GOOD FRIDAY



WARM-UP: MENTAL

Jesus is now hanging on the Cross for you. And He'll stay there for the next 3-hours... in darkness.



WORKOUT

AMCAP Bike in 23-mins

*set timer for 23-mins, turn lights off in gym, and cover timer/monitor. You will not know how long you've gone, or how much time is left.



WRAP-UP: HUDDLE

When it seems like the lights have gone out around you, what keeps that light shining in you so that you don't quit?





“And at three Jesus cried out with a loud voice, “Eloi, Eloi, lem· sabachth·ni?” which is translated, “My God, my God, why have you abandoned Me?”
35 When some of those standing there heard this, they said, “See, He’s calling for Elijah.” 36 Someone ran and filled a sponge with sour wine, fixed it on a stick, offered Him a drink, and said, “Let’s see if Elijah comes to take Him down.”

Mark 15:34–36

GOOD FRIDAY



WARM-UP: MENTAL

At this point, God (the Father) turned His back on His Son.



WORKOUT

Leave the gym and run 15 minutes away alone and then return (you must go somewhere alone, on your own)



WRAP-UP: HUDDLE

Knowing that Jesus stepped into eternal separation from God, and seeing and hearing how it broke His heart to take this on for you, how might you now view your own sin’s effect on you?





“Jesus let out a loud cry and breathed His last. 38 Then the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. 39 When the centurion, who was standing opposite Him, saw the way He breathed His last, he said, “Truly this man was the Son of God!”

Mark 15:37-39

He said, “It is finished.” Then bowing His head, He gave up His spirit.”

John 19:30

GOOD FRIDAY



WARM-UP: MENTAL

When He was ready, He gave up His spirit. No one took it from Him. How much He endured for you, is a miracle in itself.



WORKOUT

27-23-19-15
Calorie Bike
Thruster
(empty bar)



WRAP-UP: HUDDLE

In light now of what He gave for you, what He's asking you to give Him, is your heart, your trust, your Faith, your belief. Your effort today was not to work for anything... but rather to walk along side of Him, while He did the work for you.



CREATION --- FALL --- REDEMPTION --- RESTORATION

“In the beginning God created....”

Genesis 1:1

“Just as sin entered the world through one man,
and death through sin,
in this way death spread to all people,
because all sinned.”

Romans 5:12

“I have come as light into the world,
so that everyone who believes in Me
would not remain in darkness.”

John 12:46

“Come to Me,
all of you who are weary and burdened,
and I will give you rest.”

Matthew 11:28-30