

# Miracles at Calvary

Mark 15:29-41

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The Himalayan Mountain System is home to the world's highest peaks. The system includes over 100 mountains that exceed 23,000 feet. However, most of us are unfamiliar with these mountains because of the tallest peak—Everest. Mount Everest's peak of over 29,000 feet and its grandeur obscures the rest.

Many remarkable miracles transpired when Jesus was on the cross. (1) There was the darkening of the sun; (2) A mighty earthquake; (3) The Veil of the Temple tore in two from the top to the bottom; and, (4) The opening of the graves and the resurrection of the saints. These incredible events are both somewhat obscured in Scripture because of the preeminence of Jesus' death.

These miracles can help us gain a better appreciation of God's redemptive plan. They are wrapped around the marvelous work of Christ. Yet, can we look back at these miracles and remain untouched?

- The sky was not untouched . . . It was darkened.
- The earth was not untouched . . . It quaked
- The veil was not untouched . . . It was torn from top to bottom.
- The rocks were not untouched . . . They were split apart.
- The graves of some were not untouched . . . They were opened.
- Death was not untouched . . . Some who were dead were made alive.
- Life was not untouched . . . Christ who had been alive, died.
- Even hardened hearts round the cross were touched . . . **Mark 15:39** – “So when the centurion who stood opposite Him, saw that He cried out like this and breathed His last, he said, ‘**truly this man was the Son of God!**’”

Some standing near the cross derided Him by saying if He was the Son of God He should come down and they would believe. Coming down He would have saved Himself . . . By staying on the cross, He saved us.

## God's Plan for Man's Salvation