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Stained Glass Images: The Passion of Christ

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Stained Glass Window 145: Torture of Jesus

Passion of the Christ

A parable is a story that is created to teach a fundamental lesson or reveal an important truth. During His time with mankind on Earth, Jesus frequently used parables as a teaching tool. Those who believe in the truth of the Bible tend to place special importance on these stories, as they represent messages that were delivered by Christ Himself. Since there are so many parables in the Bible this category of stained glass is a broad one. All church stained glass illustrating the parables of Jesus, however, are able to accomplish precisely the same thing as the stories told by the Savior Himself: make the fundamental lessons of Christianity easier to grasp by presenting them in an attractive and accessible manner.

The Story of the Passion of Christ

Accounts of the Passion of Christ are found in all four Biblical Gospels. The Bible tells the faithful that by the time Jesus ate with His Apostles at The Last Supper, He was already aware that He would soon be betrayed and that His earthly life was coming to an end. This knowledge torments Him and causes Him great anguish, so after the meal he goes to the Garden of Gethsemane to pray. Here He asks for the "bitter cup" to be taken from His lips, but also proclaims that He will accept God's will.



Stained Glass Window 271: Passio Domini



The Story of the Passion of Christ continued

As Jesus prophesized, it was one of His own disciples who betrayed Him. Judas kissed Jesus as a way of identifying Him to the Jewish authorities. After Jesus was questioned, He was tried by Pontius Pilate, who allowed the crowd gathered before him to decide the ultimate fate of the Savior. The people demanded that Jesus be executed by Crucifixion.

Christ is whipped and a crown of thorns is mockingly placed on His head. He is forced to carry His own cross most of the way while onlookers taunt and tease Him. Finally, spikes are driven into His hands and feet, and His last hours are spent in anguish hanging on a cross on a hilltop. While the story of Christ's Passion is tragic on its surface, it is a remarkable testament to the extraordinary love He had for mankind and the sacrifice He willingly made.

The Passion of Christ encompasses many events, so Christian stained glass windows featuring this theme are very diverse. Undoubtedly the image that is most connected with the Messiah's Passion (and the Christian faith), however, is the stained glass cross.

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