"JESUS, WHY DO THESE THINGS?"

1. "WHY DID YOU COME TO EARTH?"

(Matthew 1:21) "she will bring forth a Son ... for He will save His people from their sins"

(Matt. 5:17-18) "... the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill"

(Matt. 10:34) "I did not come to bring peace but a sword ..."

(v36) "and a man's enemies will be those of his own household"

(Matt. 20:27-28) "as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve. and to give His life a ransom for many"

(Luke 5:30-32) "I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance"

(Luke 19:9-10) "for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost"

(John 6:38) "For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me"

Also noted in: (John 4:34 and 8:29; Luke 22:41-43)

(John 10:10) "I have come that they may have life, and they may have it more abundantly"

(John 12:27) "... and what shall I say? Father, save Me from this hour? But for this purpose I came to this hour."

(John 12:46) "I have come as a light into the world ... "

(John 18:36-37) "You say rightly that I am a King. For this cause I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice"

"WHY DID YOU DIE?"

Jesus knew that He would die.

He foretold it three times: (Matthew 16:21, 17:22-23, 20:17-20)

Jesus died on the cross: (Luke 23:46; John 19:32-34)

The scriptures answer our question:

(Matthew 26:27-28) "... For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins"

(John 10:11) "I am the good shepherd; the good shepherd gives His life for the sheep" (v15) " ... and I lay down My life for the sheep"

(John 15:13) "Greater love has no man than this. than to lay down one's life for his friends"

(Acts 20:28) "... overseers, to shepherd the church of God, which He purchased with His own blood"

(Romans 3:24-25) "... the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God set forth as a propitiation by His blood, through faith, to demonstrate His righteousness ... "

(Romans 5:6) "... Christ died for the ungodly" (v9) "Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him"

(Romans 14:9) "For to this end Christ died and rose and lived again,

that He might be Lord of both the dead and the living"

(1 Corinthians 15:3) "that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day"

(1 Thess. 5:9-10) "... to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us"

(Titus 2:14) "who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us ... and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous of good works"

3. "WHY WERE YOU RESURRECTED?"

(Acts 2:23-24) "... whom God raised up, having loosed the pains of death ... "

(1 Corinthians 15:55) "O Death, where is your sting? ... "
(Hebrews 2:14) "... that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the Devil"

(1 Corinthians 15:12 – 22) "But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then ... "
(Romans 4:25) "who was delivered up because of our offenses,
and was raised up because of our justification"

4. "WHY DID YOU LEAVE THE EARTH?" ("ascend")

(John 14:1-2) "... I go to prepare a place for you ... "

(John 14:16) "and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever" (v19) "A little while longer and the world will see Me no more" (v25-29) "These things I have spoken to you while being present with you. But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, ... (v28) "I am going away ... I am going to the Father"

(16:7) "... for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you ... "
(v28) "I came forth from the Father and have come into the world. Again,
I leave the world and go to the Father" (33) "I have overcome the world"

(Ephesians 1:19-22) "... raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in heavenly places ... He put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all things to the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all"

5. "WHY ARE YOU COMING BACK?" ("Second Coming")

- (John 14:3) "... I will come again and receive you unto Myself; that where I am, there you may be also"

 (1 Thessalonians 4:13 18) "... for the Lord Himself will descend from heaven ... And thus we shall always be with the Lord"
- 2) (2 Peter 3:10-12) "But the day of the Lord will come ... in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements ... both the earth and the works ...looking for and hastening of the day of God ..."
- 3) (John 5:28-29) "Do not marvel at this, for the hour is coming in which all who are in the graves will hear His voice and come forth those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation"

(John 11:23-24) "Martha said to Him, I know that he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day"

(Acts 24:15) "I have hope in God ... that there will be a resurrection of the dead ..." (1 Corinthians 15:51-52) "For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised ..."

4) (Acts 17:30-31) "... because **He has appointed a day on which He will judge the world** in righteousness by the Man whom He has ordained. He has given assurance of this to all by raising Him from the dead."

(Romans 2:2, v3, v5, v11, v16) (Revelation 20:11-15) "... I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God ... "