Preparation for Crucifixion

- Sentence of death had to be pronounced by a Roman magistrate or tribunal.
- Scourging was preliminary to crucifixion. A Flalgellium was used.
  - Soldiers frequently stuck nails, pieces of bone and other hard substances to heighten pain.
  - The victim was generally bound to a column for the scourging.
- The criminal was compelled to carry his own cross.
- The place of crucifixion was:
  - Outside the city
  - In some conspicuous place
  - Often along some public road
- At the place of crucifixion, the criminal was compelled to watch the preparations for his execution.
  - He would see the cross driven into the ground.
  - He would be stripped naked.
  - He would be nailed to the cross
  - He would be helpless to do anything

“And They Crucified Him”
Matthew 27:35