

Breakdown & Meaning of the Seal



THE CROWN OF THORNS

THE VERY RECOGNIZABLE "CROWN OF THORNS" WAS USED TO MOCK JESUS AS THEY CROWNED HIM IN PAIN AND CRUELTY. BUT WHAT THEY DID NOT KNOW IS THAT THEY WERE MOCKING THE SON OF THE CREATOR. THESE WERE SOME OF THE SAME MEN THAT HE PRAYED FOR WHILE HANGING ON THE CROSS SAYING "FATHER, FORGIVE THEM, FOR THEY KNOW NOT WHAT THEY DO." MATTHEW 27:29 & LUKE 23:34



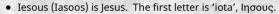
ICHTHYS

(AKA) THE CHRISTIAN FISH. FORMED OF THE BENT NAILS THAT HELD OUR SAVIOUR TO THE BLOOD STAINED TREE. IT'S POINTED UPWARD IN THE SEAL TO REPRESENT HIS PEOPLE REACHING TOWARDS THE PROMISE OF HEAVEN. THIS SYMBOL WAS USED IN THE FIRST CENTURY CHURCH BY CHRISTIANS TO IDENTIFY EACH OTHER IN SECRET, AS THEY WERE BEING HUNTED DOWN FOR THEIR FAITH.

SOMETHING THAT YOU MIGHT NOT KNOW: THE LETTERS SHOWN BELOW YOU MAY HAVE SEEN ENCASED WITHIN AN ICHTHYS SUCH AS ON BUMPER STICKERS OR T- SHIRTS. THESE MARKINGS ARE GREEK LETTERS THAT ARE ACTUALLY AN ACRONYM.

The word "IXOYE" is an acronym comprised of the first letter of five Greek words: Iesous Xristos Theou Yios Sotare which means Jesus, Christ, Son of, God, Savior.

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- Xristos (Christos) is Christ. The first letter is 'chi', Χριστός.
- Theou (Theou) is God. The first letter is 'theta', Θεοῦ.
- Yios (Huios) is Son. The first letter is 'upsilon', Υἰός.
- Sotare (Sotare) is Savior. The first letter is sigma', Σωτήρ.

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THREE CIRCLES

REPRESENTING THE INFINITE NATURE OF THE ONE TRIUNE GOD: THE FATHER, THE SON & THE HOLY SPIRIT MATTHEW 28:19



THE CROSS

ONCE IT WAS A SYMBOL OF FEAR, OPPRESSION, CONDEMNATION AND DEATH. NOW, THROUGH THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST IT IS A REMINDER OF HIS GRACE AND VICTORY OVER ALL SIN, ITS AFFLICTIONS AND A PROMISE OF GREATER THINGS TO COME.

COLOSSIANS 2:14 & 1 PETER 2:24