

The Shroud of Turin

An Enduring Mystery

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Introduction

This course on the Shroud of Turin will give you a comprehensive understanding of the mysteries surrounding this artifact which is widely believed to be either the actual shroud which enveloped Jesus of Nazareth in the tomb or some sort of masterful forgery intended to convey that impression. Our course will cover what is known about the shroud from a multidisciplinary perspective. Without neglecting the religious viewpoint we will examine the shroud from the viewpoint of the science that has been done, from the history that has been adduced, from forensic medical science, as well as the many speculations about faint and elusive markings. We will touch on all the attempts by both those who accept authenticity and those who seek to understand how it might have been forged. At the end of our journey you will be fully equipped to make your own informed decision.

The course is divided into five sessions; 1) Introduction, 2) Science, 3) History, 4) Skeptics & Images, 5) Integration & Conclusions.

Resources

Websites

www.shroud.com The premier Shroud of Turin site founded by Barrie Schwartz.

www.shroud.com/pdfs/ a directory full of pdf files by a wide variety of shroud researchers

<http://www.sindonology.org/> Mario Latendresse's website which includes the Shroud Scope

<http://www.sindonology.org/shroudScope/shroudScope.shtml> Shroud Scope

<http://shroudencounter.com/> Russ Breault's website on encountering the shroud

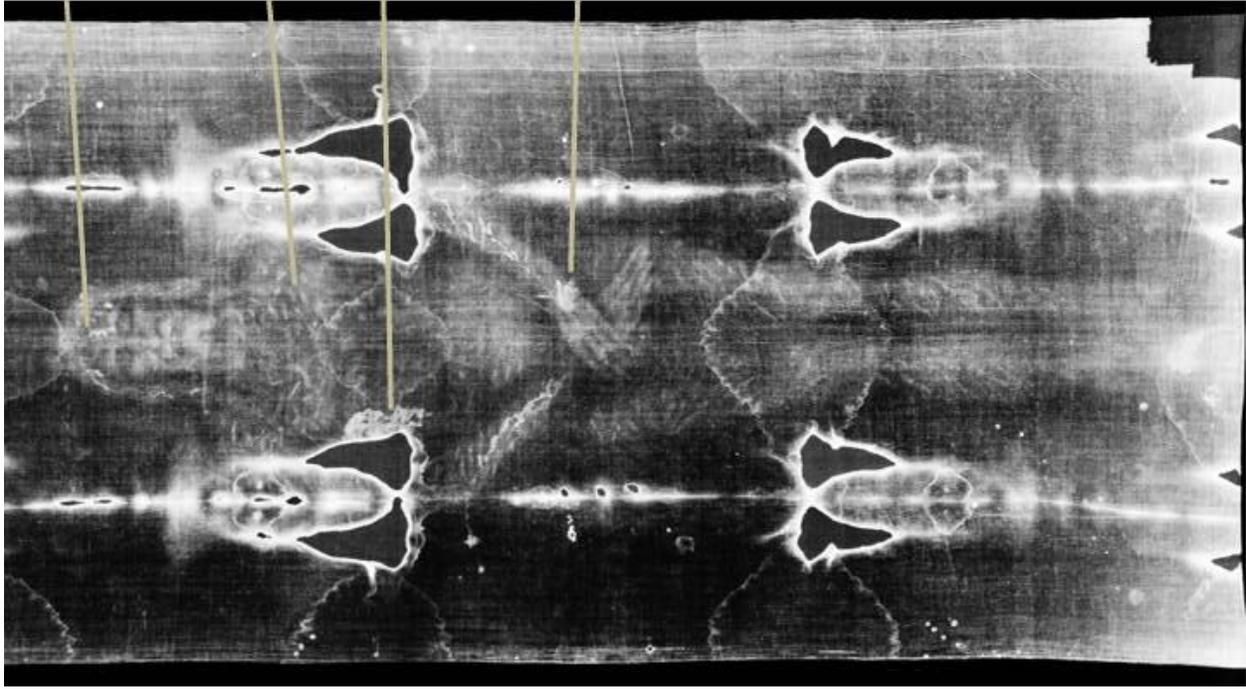
<http://www.shrouduniversity.com/> Website archiving many videos and papers

<http://shroudstory.com/> Dan Porter's blog which is a good source for what's going on right now

To find some of the many excellent and not so excellent videos that are on-line you can google something like: shroud of turin youtube -- that search produces 211,000 hits

Homework

Well I'm kind of kidding. There is no real homework. But if you find something really interesting when you search on-line, please bring it to the class next week and we can talk about it and if we find some time look at it on the internet.



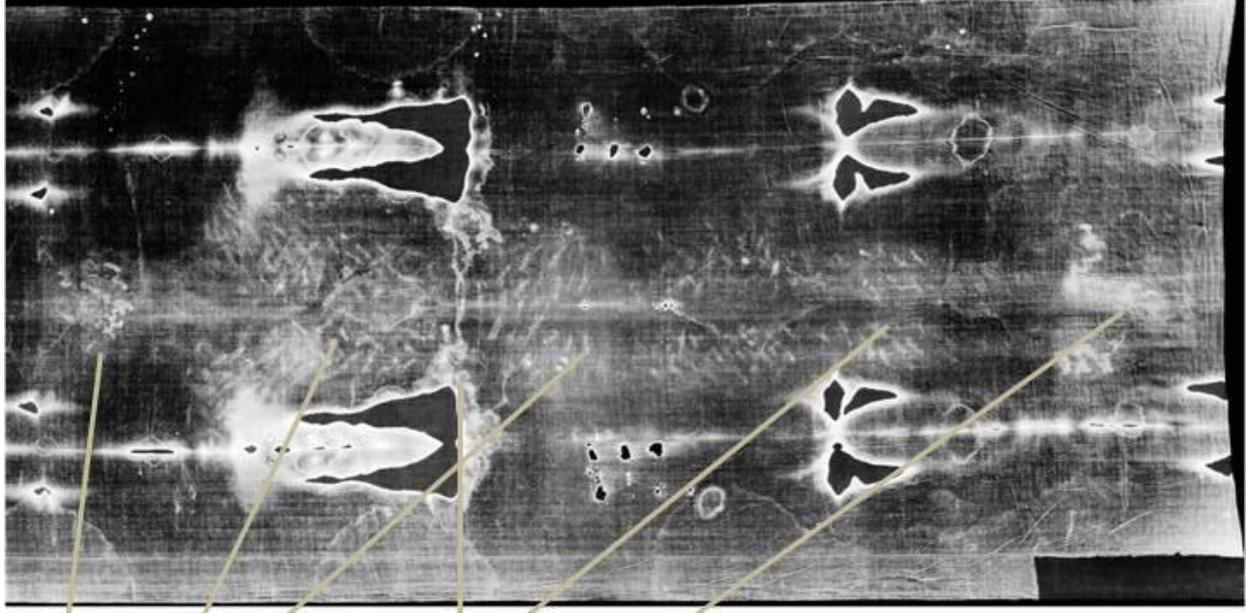
Crown of thorns

Scourge Marks
-back -buttocks
-chest -thighs and
calves

Chest wound

Blood/Serum
flow across back

Nails through
wrists and feet



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