

Did Jesus die on a cross or a torture stake?

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Jehovah's Witnesses teach that Jesus did not die on a cross, but on a stake. They claim the Greek word *stauros* means "a stake," which was a single upright stake without a crossbeam and Jesus' hands were nailed over his head with one nail.

The disciple Thomas would not believe that Jesus was resurrected and said, "Unless I shall see in His hands the imprint of the **nails**..." (John 20:25). He said "nails" not "nail." A crossbeam requires two nails (one for each hand), but a stake with hands over His head would only require one nail.

Although this is not an important issue, it's another example how the WatchTower organization mistranslates the Scriptures.