

The Death of Jesus - Mark 15:33-41

Topics: Believe, Death, Forsake, Jesus Christ, Loneliness, Miracles, Reconciliation, Sacrifice, Suffering

Open It

- * 1. At what time in your life have you felt most lonely?
- 2. What is your first recollection of dealing with the death of a pet or grandparent?

Explore It

- 3. What unusual occurrence took place as Jesus was dying? (15:33)
- * 4. What did Jesus say “at the ninth hour”? (15:34)
- 5. What do Jesus’ words at the ninth hour reveal about how He was feeling right before He died? (15:34)
- * 6. What did Jesus mean when He said that God had “forsaken” Him? (15:34)
- * 7. How did the bystanders misunderstand what Jesus was going through? (15:35)
- 8. What offer of help did Jesus receive? (15:36)
- 9. What does the fact that Jesus twice cried out in a loud voice tell us about the way He died? (15:34, 37)
- 10. What happened right after Jesus’ death? (15:38)
- 11. How did the centurion react to Jesus’ crucifixion and death? (15:39)
- 12. What caused the centurion to believe in Jesus? (15:39)
- 13. Who watched Christ’s crucifixion from a distance? Why? (15:40-41)

Get It

- 14. What do you think motivated one man to offer Jesus a drink of wine vinegar?
- 15. What does it mean that the curtain of the temple tore?
- 16. What did the tearing of the temple curtain symbolize?
- 17. What difference does Jesus’ death make in your life?
- 18. What did Jesus’ words on the cross mean?
- * 19. What kind of isolation did Jesus experience in His death on the cross?
- 20. How can we draw encouragement from the loneliness Jesus endured?
- * 21. In what way can following Christ or doing what God wants be a lonely experience?
- 22. How does it make you feel to know that Christ endured such intense suffering for your salvation?
- 23. What significance is there for you in the fact that a Roman soldier recognized the great truth that even the religious leaders could not see?
- 24. How has your study of this passage changed your perception of Jesus?
- 25. In what way is every person indebted to Christ?

Apply It

- 26. What can you do as a reminder of what Christ did for you?
- * 27. When might you have to face loneliness as a part of following Christ this week?