

Jesus Died For Our Sins  
Matthew 27:27-56  
Key Verse: 27:46

1. Read verses 27-31. How did Pilate implement his decision (26)? Describe how the governor's soldiers treated Jesus. What were they mocking about him? After the flogging and mocking, where did they take him?
2. Read verses 32-37. Who was Simon? What was his role? What was the place of Crucifixion named? Why did Jesus refuse the wine mixed with gall? What did they do with his clothes? What charge did they put above his head? What might they have thought about as they kept watch? (Ps 22:18)
3. Read verses 38-41. Who else was crucified that day? (Isa 53:12) What were the insults hurled at him? By whom? Read verses 42-44. How else did they mock him? What elements of truth are hidden in the mockery?
4. Read verses 45-50. How long did Jesus hang on the cross? (See Mk 15:25) What might the darkness mean? (Amos 8:9) What did Jesus cry out? What did this mean? (Ps 22:1) How was he misunderstood? Did he give up his life or was it taken from him? (Jn 10:18)
5. Read verses 51-54. What other unusual things occurred at the time of Jesus' death? What is significant about the torn curtain? (Heb 10:19-20) What foretaste of resurrection occurred? What was the confession of the centurion and his soldiers? How and why had they changed? What is the importance of this?
6. Read verses 55-56. Who witnessed the crucifixion? Why is this important?