

Sermon Notes

Jesus' Last Moments & Miraculous Events Following

Matthew 27:45-56

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[Text sermon questions, during the sermon, to \(602\) 824-8030](#)

Darkness for three hours, then Jesus' cry of suffering (vv. 45-46)

Darkness was probably a sign of judgment. (ref.: Amos 8)

“My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?”
(ref.: Psalm 22:1)

(ref.: 1 Peter 2:24, 2 Corinthians 5:21)

How could God (the Son, Jesus) be separated from
God (the Father)?

Ontological problem with that - God is by
His essential nature one, unified

(ref. John 16:32)

Jesus, in His humanity, felt the same kind of agony
David had felt in his suffering. (ref.: Psalm 22)

Jesus given a small kindness and another mocking (vv. 47-49)

Jesus yields His spirit to His Father (v. 50)

The miraculous after-events (vv. 51-53)

The tearing of the temple curtain

A sign that direct access to God is opened up
(see Hebrews 10:19-20)

A massive earthquake

Saints rise from the dead

A sign of the resurrection to come for Christ-trusters

The conclusion, “Truly this was the Son of God.” (v. 54)

The women witnesses (vv. 55-56)

Some significance of Jesus' death on the cross

- Pays for our sins (see 1 John 2:2)
- Reconciles us to God (see Colossians 1:22)
- Brings us near to God (see Ephesians 2:12-13)
- Saves us from the wrath of God (see Romans 5:9)

Application questions for 9-13-2015 sermon

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What do you think was happening when Jesus cried out, “My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?”
And what is your rationale for that belief?

Is it helpful to you to know that when you are suffering Jesus has been there, and understands your feelings? Explain why or why not.

To you, what was the neatest of the three miraculous signs that followed Jesus’ death, and why? (the veil of the temple being torn in two, the earthquake, the dead saints coming to life and coming out of their tombs)

(Make sure so make it to this question, and have everyone answer.)

What did Jesus achieve for you on the cross?

What does that mean to you?

Is it something you think about on a regular basis?

Does it motivate you to live a certain way?

Bonus: Was there anything new or interesting you learned in this sermon?