

C. The Speech (27:45-50)

i. Psalm 22

LIVE THE STORY

We must not only love the Gospel Story, we must begin to live the Gospel Story, indeed, to have the Central Character live in us.

- Imagine the injustice of Jesus' trial. Imagine the temptation any would face to defend themselves (even if they weren't as innocent as Jesus). What can we learn from Jesus' response?
- What does 1 Peter 2:21-24 tell us about how Jesus responded as He did? How should this effect our responses?
- What does Daniel 7:13-14 tell us about the kind of King Jesus is going to be? What might this text, and Jesus' associated response (27:64) tell us about who was really on trial that day?
- What is the one question, whether from the Jewish leaders or from Pilate, that Jesus seems to be willing to answer? Why do you think He answered this one?
- Read Psalm 22 and compare to the happenings of the crucifixion.
- Throughout Matthew's Gospel we have used the expression, "pursuing the bottom rung of the ladder." How does the silence, speech, separation and suffering of Jesus show us that He was in pursuit of that "bottom rung" also? How are you called to follow Him?

The Execution of a King

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Text: Matthew 26:57—27:61

I. The Religious Trial (26:57-68)

A. The Silence (57-63a)

- i. A verdict in search of a witness.

a) Isaiah 53:7

b) 1 Peter 2:21-24

B. The Speech (63b-66)

- i. Christ = anointed one: anointed by God as king.

a) 1 Sam 26:7-11

b) 2 Sam 1:14

c) 2 Sam 19:21

d) 2 Chron. 6:42

- ii. vs. 64: Jesus answers this one!

a) Daniel 7:13-14 applied to Himself.

b) Not only is He the Christ, the Messiah, He is the kind that is the answer to Roman oppression, He is the kind that will have a different kind of kingdom: a heavenly kingdom! Not of this world! He is the kind at the Father's side!

iii. Jesus Christ is the faithful witness!

C. The Suffering (27:67-68)

D. The Separation (vs. 69-75)

II. The Roman Trial (27:11-31)

A. The Speech (27:11)

B. The Silence of Jesus (27:12-19)

C. The Separation (27:20-25)

i. Working the crowd

➤ Mark 15:7

ii. 2 types of sons:

➤ Barabbas

➤ Jesus

iii. The crowd turns on him.

D. The Suffering (27:26-30)

i. The Praetorium.

ii. Royal Guard

iii. Kingly Garments

iv. Kingly Adoration

III. The Execution (27:31-50)

A. The Separation (31-38)

B. The Silence (39-44)

i. *Save yourself... if you are the Son of God.*

ii. Does He save Himself or others?