

Dying Words to
Live By –
*The Seven Sayings of Jesus
from the Cross*

A Sermon Series for Lent 2022



The Cry of Dereliction

Mark 15:33-37

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In the fourth of
the Seven Sayings,
the tragedy reaches
its climax.



Rejected by His "church",
His family, His disciples,
and His closest friend,
Jesus now feels He was
abandoned by God.



*"A time is coming, and has
come, when you will be
scattered, each to his own
home. You will leave me all
alone. Yet I am not alone, for
my Father is with me."*

John 16:52



“The Cry of Dereliction”

to be “derelict” in duty
is to abandon it.



God had NOT forsaken
His Son.



Jesus Himself had always
moved toward sinners,
not away from them.



Throughout Jesus' ministry,
Jesus' reliance on God
had always made
everything work.



Jesus even had times
of hearing directly
from heaven that
He was God's
beloved Son.



But His crucifixion
kept things
from making sense.



Many only want a Savior
who has suffered
everything they have.
Such is Jesus.



Jesus wasn't pretending
to feel abandoned.
He truly felt that way.



But when He felt
abandoned by God,
He still prayed to God.



Jesus did not cry out
in self-pity
and give up the fight.



Jesus asked God
"Why?" in faith
believing God
would answer.



God answered Him such
that Jesus was able
to see His crucifixion
to the end with
a quiet mind and
a serene mood.



For all who have felt
far from God,
the 4th saying is for you –
God never leaves
or forsakes.

