

# Lesson Notes: Mark 15

## Introductory Questions

1. In what ways are you like Pilate? What do you make of him?
2. Tim Keller writes a lot about the values of light and darkness in Mark 15. What did you learn as you considered darkness and the crucifixion?
3. Read Psalm 22 together and point out all the fulfilled prophecies.
4. Of the 7 words from the cross, which one was most significant to you? (from the homework)

## The 7 Words From the Cross

Reference	Jesus Said	My thoughts
Luke 23:34	Father, forgive them, for they do not understand what they are doing.	
Luke 23:43	Today you will be with Me in Paradise. (to the thief)	
John 19: 26,27	Dear woman, here is your son (ref. to John); here is your mother (John to mother Mary)	
Mt 27:45(9th hour)	Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani (My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?) (ref. to Psalm 22)	
John 19:29	I am thirsty.	
John 19:30	It is finished.	
Luke 23:46	Father, into Your hands I commit My spirit.	
Mt 27:50	He cried out in a loud voice and gave up His spirit.	

## Application Questions:

What did you learn about Jesus' humanity in Mark 15? His deity? the mystery that He is both God and man?

What is the most difficult part of Mark 15 for you?

Has there been a time in your life when you have cried out as Jesus did, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?" What do you learn from this account (Mark 15:34) that comforts you, challenges you, or makes you uncomfortable?

Which of the 7 words from the cross meant the most to you after hearing the lesson?

The Bible says Jesus, Who knew no sin, became sin for us. He paid the price for our sins. How do you respond to this after reading through the trauma and separation He endured?

What do you think happened to Jesus between His death and burial, and His resurrection?

Go through the homework with your group, realizing that some people may have done the light version and some the more detailed version.

Notes:

One more chapter to go, and it's full of good news! :-)