

# Lesson 11

## Jesus' Crucifixion - (Friday)

Key Scripture Readings: Matthew 27:27-66; Mark 15:22-47; Luke 23:33-56; John 19:17-42

### Fast Facts

- Jesus was crucified in a place called Golgotha. (Matthew 27:33). Golgotha was located just outside of Jerusalem.
- Jesus was crucified between two thieves.
- While hanging on the cross, the Lord was offered wine mixed with myrrh (a painkiller), but He refused it (Matthew 27:34).
- The soldiers divided Jesus' clothes up amongst themselves. They cast lots for His undergarment (John 19:23-24).
- The crowds and religious leaders mocked Jesus as He hung on the cross (Luke 23:35).
- One of the two thieves asked Jesus for forgiveness and to remember him when He came into His kingdom. Jesus told him, "Truly I say to you, today you shall be with Me in paradise (Luke 23:46).
- While being mocked, Jesus said a prayer for His enemies (Luke 23:34). He also made provision for the Apostle John to care for His mother (John 19:25-27).
- At about the ninth hour (after hanging on the cross for around six hours), Jesus shouted, "Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani."
- After drinking from a sponge soaked with wine and vinegar, Jesus cried out to God and died. Pilate placed a sign above Jesus on the cross (John 19:19-22).
- Several signs accompanied Jesus' death (Matthew 27:45, 51-54). These things convinced the centurion that Jesus was God's Son (Matthew 27:54; Luke 23:47).
- Since the Sabbath Day was approaching, the two thieves' legs were broken to speed up their deaths. Jesus' legs were not broken since He was already dead when examined.
- Joseph of Arimathea (a secret disciple) took Jesus' body and buried it in a new tomb that he owned. Some women who were disciples of Jesus looked to see where the body was laid and made plans to return Sunday (Luke 23:55-56).



## Study Questions

1. What is significant about Golgotha? What does the name mean?
2. Describe the two men Jesus was crucified between?
3. What Old Testament prophecy did the casting of lots for Jesus' garment fulfill?
4. What did the crowds, chief priests and elders say to Jesus as He hung on the cross?
5. What did one of the thieves ask Jesus to remember? How did the Lord respond?
6. What lesson can we learn from Jesus' prayer for His enemies in Luke 22:34?
7. What does "Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani" mean?
8. When looking at some of the final words spoken by Jesus, which ones stand out to you the most? Why?
9. Why were the legs of Jesus not broken like the two thieves?
10. List some of the signs that accompanied Jesus' death.