

The Son of God Scorned and Murdered

Matthew 27:26-56

- 1) Jesus of Nazareth endured the worst that a human could endure—for us (27:26-50)
 - a) Brutal scourging leaving him near death (26)
 - b) Stripped naked in humiliation (28a)
 - c) His mission was mocked (28b-29)
 - d) Spat upon and beaten over the head (30)
 - e) Nailed to a cross (35a)
 - f) His possessions gambled for (35b)
 - g) Numbered with transgressors (38)
 - h) Mocked by the crowd while suffering (39-44)
 - i) Forsaken by God (46; cf. 26:39)
 - j) Died in anguish (50)
- 2) Mankind has the potential to commit the most heinous of crimes
 - a) Like Judas, capable of treason and betrayal
 - b) Like Peter, capable of denying what they know to be true
 - c) Like the Jews, capable of hating an innocent man
 - d) Like the Romans, capable of the harshest brutality
- 3) Applications
 - a) *Recognize* that your sin debt has been paid in full
 - b) *Receive* the forgiveness that Jesus has granted
 - c) *Forgive* all who hurt you, from morning till evening, day after day
 - d) *Endure* what God has set before you faithfully—as Jesus did