## John

## Women's Bible Study 2008/09

- I. Pray: ask God to open your mind, soul and spirit to His teaching through His Word
- 2. Think: the questions are designed to expand your knowledge of God and His Word
- 3. Begin: using only your Bible, answer the questions without other outside sources

## **Lesson Twenty Eight—The Gospel of John** Chapter 19:18–30 April 22, 2009

| 1. | Wt | rite out the definitions of the word ''crucify.'' Use a dictionary for help.   |
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| 2. | a) | Give details about the notice Pilate had prepared and fastened to Jesus' cross in John 19:19–20.   |
|    | b) | Thinking question: Write a general description about whom and how many would be exposed to Jesus' crucifixion and the sign on the cross. |
|    | c) | List reasons why you <b>think</b> the chief priests protested this sign.   |
|    | d) | List ways God might use this exposure. Remember Numbers 21:4–9, John 8:28–30 and John 12:20–28   |
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|    | e)  | Describe your reaction to a startling truth God made known to you. What was this truth? Did you deny or mock this revelation? Did you mourn or rejoice? What can you do to avoid being a pawn or mere bystander of the truth and instead be an instrument of God's will? |
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| 3. | res | onsider the difference between Pilate's response to the chief priests' protests in John 19:22 and his sponses to them in John 18:29-19:16 (last lesson). Comment on how God used Pilate's strong and weak oments to accomplish His will.                                 |
| 4. | a)  | Describe the soldiers' actions and focus in John 19:23-24.   |
|    | b)  | What do you <b>think</b> they would have noticed if they stopped to look at Jesus?   |
|    | c)  | Describe events or tasks in which your focus becomes so narrow that you realize you miss blessings from the Lord. What strategy or plan can you implement now that will help prevent you from missing out in the future?   |
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| 5. | a) | Jesus "saw his mother." What do you think Jesus' mother was thinking and feeling at the foot of the cross?                                 |
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|    | b) | What do you <u>think</u> Jesus' intentions were in arranging this new family relationship between His mother and John?                     |
| 6. | a) | What was offered to Jesus in John 19:29?   |
|    | b) | In John 19:30, what did Jesus do with this "offering"?   |
|    | c) | Write a prayer describing what you feel when you reflect on the quality and quantity of what you offer to the Lord and how He receives it. |
| 7. | a) | What did Jesus say in John 19:30 and to what (do you <u>think</u> ) is Jesus referring?  |
|    | b) | What happened after Jesus finished speaking in John 19:30? Why? Remember John 10:17–18 and John 14:28–31.                                  |
|    | c) | Why did Jesus have to suffer and die? (See Isaiah 53:10–12, John 15:12–17 and John 17:1–5 for reminders).                                  |

| 8.   | a)    | Why do you think the cross has become such an important symbol for followers of Jesus Christ?         |  |  |  |  |
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|  | b)    | What personal feelings or experiences does meditating upon Jesus' work on the cross bring up for you? |  |  |  |  |
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| Going deeper:  Read Psalm 22 and Matthew 27:45-56. Draw parallels between the Psalm and Jesus' experience on the |       |   |  |  |  |  |
| Asl  | < Jes | us to give you insight into what He was thinking about you while on the cross.                        |  |  |  |  |
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