

1. **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 Thirty: Matthew 27:32–66

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1. Name the many abuses Jesus received separate from the crucifixion stated in 27:32–77.
(I don't think this question is very clear. Check with Pat?) What about...
Name the many abuses received by Jesus that are separate from the crucifixion stated in 27:32–77?
2. From verses 32–44, name the insults heaped upon Jesus that eventually came true and proved the abusers wrong.
3. a) What do you **think** is misunderstood about Jesus today that you **believe** will prove to be true? You can name more than one misunderstanding.

b) Why do you believe it?

c) Why should the insulters of Jesus' day also believe the insults to be true?
4. a) Why do you **think** Jesus cried out in verse 46 that He felt forsaken by God?

b) Do you think Jesus was truly forsaken at this time? Why or why not?

5. Name three major miracles in verses 45–54. What truths or signs do you think these miracles might be teaching or pointing to?
6. a) What facts do you learn about Joseph of Arimathea from Matthew 27:57–60; Mark 15:43–46 and Luke 23:50–52?
- b) Do you **think** Joseph's visit to Pilate was one of risk since he was a rich man? Why or why not?
- c) Where do you need to take a risk for Jesus?
7. a) What plan did the chief priests and Pharisees take to Pilate in verses 62–66?
- b) When did they approach Pilate?
- c) Why did they bring this plan?
- d) What was the first deception referred to in verse 64c?
- e) What do you **think** this plan proves about the crucifiers of Jesus?

f) What things did Pilate do to secure Jesus' tomb?

Going Deeper:

8. Simon of Cyrene was **forced** to carry Jesus' cross.

a) Why do you **think** Jesus needed help?

b) Who should have volunteered to help Jesus?

c) Why do you **think** there were no volunteers?

9. Examine question 8. Use these next questions as a meditation of your heart. Pray to the Lord regarding your answers.

a) Who is weak, carrying a cross and needs someone to volunteer to help?

b) Why do you hesitate or feel you're not the person to help?

c) If the world became totally hostile to Jesus Christ and His identity, would you stand for Him or scatter?