

JESUS' CRUCIFIXION
PART 3: HIS DEATH
(Matthew 27:45-50)

I. Jesus' Final Hours on the CROSS (Matt. 27:45-49; cf. Mk. 15:33-36; Lk. 23:44-45)

A. A supernatural DARKNESS (27:45)

1. It came at MID-DAY
2. It was WIDESPREAD
3. It lasted THREE HOURS
4. It SILENCED all the SCORNERS
5. It STOPPED all ACTIVITY
6. It was supernatural in its OCCURRENCE, its TIMING, its DURATION, and its INTENSITY

B. A sovereign DEPARTURE (27:46-49)

1. Jesus SHOUTED, "My God, My God, WHY have You FORSAKEN ME?"
 - a. This occurred when He BECAME SIN for us (2 Cor. 5:21; cf. Isa. 53:5; Rom. 4:25; 1 Cor. 15:3; Gal. 3:13; 1 Pet. 2:24; 3:18; 1 Jn. 4:10)
 - b. He did not CEASE to be GOD

- c. He was temporarily SEPARATED from His FATHER
2. Jesus was MOCKED as if He were calling for RESCUE

II. Jesus' DEATH (Matthew 27:50)

A. A SUFFICIENT death: He SHOUTED "It is FINISHED" (John 19:30)

1. He had PAID the FULL PRICE for SIN
2. Nothing we could contribute is ADEQUATE
3. Nothing we could contribute is NECESSARY

B. A SELF-GIVING death: He DISMISSED His SPIRIT

1. No one TOOK Jesus' life FROM HIM
2. Jesus GAVE His life FOR US