

***STUDIES  
IN  
MARK***



**LESSON 63**

## MARK 15:16-32

### REVIEW:

1. In Lesson 62, we saw Jesus on trial before the Roman governor. The Governor's name was \_\_\_\_\_.
2. At the feast of the Passover the Jews asked to let one prisoner go free. This time they had to call for either Jesus or Barabbas to go free. Barabbas was a very bad man. Jesus was the only sinless man who ever lived. Whom did they choose? (verse 11) \_\_\_\_\_  
Why did the people choose the bad man? (verse 11) \_\_\_\_\_  
"The \_\_\_\_\_ moved the people" to ask for \_\_\_\_\_.
3. What did the crowd tell Pilate to do with Jesus? (verses 13,14)  
" \_\_\_\_\_ ."

## READ MARK 15:16-20

### JESUS WAS MOCKED

Verse 16 says that the soldiers took Jesus away to their hall. Then they called the whole band together. The whole band was about 100 soldiers. Verse 39 speaks of a centurion being there. A centurion was in charge of 100 soldiers. It was his job to crucify the criminals that day.

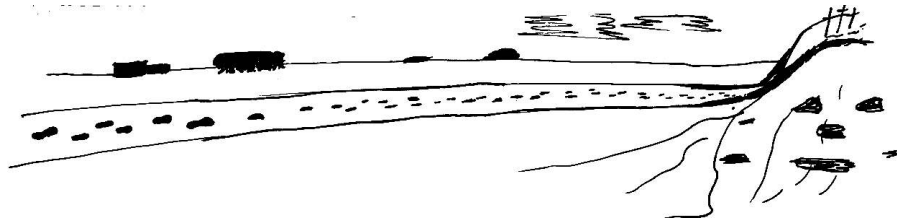
The soldiers made fun of Jesus. They mocked Him. They were mean to Him. They did to Jesus whatever they wanted to do. Jesus did not fight back. He could have killed them all with one word, and walked away free. In verses 17-20, **list** seven cruel and mean things the soldiers did to Jesus:

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_ . (verse 17)
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_ . (verse 17)
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_ . (verse 18)
- 4) \_\_\_\_\_ . (verse 19)
- 5) \_\_\_\_\_ . (verse 19)
- 6) \_\_\_\_\_ . (verse 19)
- 7) \_\_\_\_\_ . (verse 19)

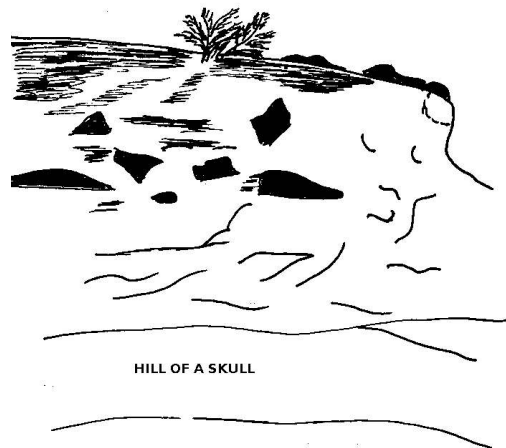
## READ MARK 15:21-23

### JESUS GOES TO GOLGOTHA

1. When the soldiers had finished making fun of Jesus and mocking Him, they took Him away. They took Him from the hall to a hill outside of Jerusalem. What was the name of the hill where Jesus was taken? (verse 22)



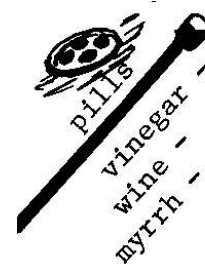
2. It was the custom to make the criminal carry his own cross. They put the cross on Jesus' back and told Him to carry it up the hill. But verse 15 tells us that Pilate had told the soldiers to beat Jesus (scourge Him). His back was torn and bleeding. Besides He was worn out with so much suffering. The cross was heavy. Jesus stumbled. He was tired. He had had no sleep all night. He was too weak to carry such a load on His bleeding back. But the load on His heart was heavier still for He was carrying our sins as well as the cross. The soldiers saw that it was too much for Him. What did the soldiers do about it? (verse 21)



3. What does the name Golgotha mean? (verse 22)  
This was the place where criminals were put to death. There would be many skulls of dead men on that hill. In Luke's Gospel, He calls the same hill Calvary

(Luke 23:33) This name also means a bald skull. The hill even looked like a skull.

4. Today when a person suffers much pain, the doctor gives him a pain pill. In Bible times they did not have pain pills. Nailing a criminal to his cross caused great pain. They gave the criminal some medicine to drink. What did they give Jesus to drink before they crucified Him (verse 23)



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*(Mingled means mixed.)*

Even when Jesus was born, one of the wise men brought Him a gift of myrrh. It was costly and was used as a spice, or as a medicine to deaden pain. This must have been a prophecy that one day Jesus would be given myrrh at His death. Did Jesus drink the medicine they gave Him? (verse 23)

Jesus would not take the pain medicine. He wanted to carry all the suffering for the sins of the world. He wanted to know the pain of being punished for your sins and mine.

“The good Shepherd giveth His life for the sheep.” John 10:11.

Have you thanked Jesus for suffering all that for you?

### **READ MARK 14:24-32**

### **JESUS IS CRUCIFIED**

When the Jews put a man to death for sin, they threw stones at him till he died. Sometimes they fastened him to a tree, or a cross. The man hung there till he died.

What did it mean to be crucified? The Romans nailed their criminals to a cross. Many died this way. If a leader was sent to war, and his army was beaten, he was killed. Many of his men were also killed. Thousands of men were crucified by their government. Crucifying was the most cruel punishment for a criminal.

Barabbas was set free, so he was not crucified.

For a Jew to be crucified meant He was cursed by God. READ Deuteronomy 21:22,23. When Jesus Christ was nailed to the cross He was under the curse of God. All the curses that God had put on us for sins were put on Jesus that day.

1. READ Galatians 3:13 and then fill in the blanks:

“Christ has \_\_\_\_\_ from the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Law, being made a \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ ; for it is written, \_\_\_\_\_ is everyone that \_\_\_\_\_ on a tree.”

You see, God is holy, and sin makes Him very angry. Jesus saw that the wrath of an angry God must fall on us because of our sin, (John 3:36) But God loved us. He sent His own Son to stand between us sinners and God’s anger against our sin. Jesus saved us from our sin by being crucified in our place. Now He can say to us, “If you will repent (turn back from your sin) and trust Me, you will be saved.”

2. What did the soldiers do with Jesus’ clothes after they nailed Him to the cross? (verse 24)

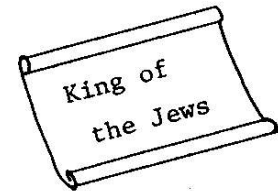
“They \_\_\_\_\_ His \_\_\_\_\_ .”

They divided the clothes of Jesus among the four soldiers who crucified Him.

Jesus had an outer coat that was made all in one piece. They did not tear Jesus’ coat so that each one would get a part of it. Hundreds of years ago, God told King David what they would do. READ Psalm 22:18, and fill in the blanks:

“They \_\_\_\_\_ my \_\_\_\_\_ among them, and \_\_\_\_\_ upon my \_\_\_\_\_ (coat).”

They gambled for Jesus’ coat.



3. What time was it when they nailed Jesus to the cross? (verse 25)  
In our time this would be 9 o'clock in the morning.

4. When a man was crucified, a sign was put over his cross. This sign told what bad things the man did. If Barabbas had been crucified, the sign over his cross would have said, "A THIEF, MURDERER, FIGHTER."

What did the sign over Jesus' cross say? (verse 26)

" \_\_\_\_\_ ."

5. Long before, the prophet had said that Jesus would be counted with the sinners. What does verse 27 say to prove this came true?

"And with Him they crucified \_\_\_\_\_ , the one on the \_\_\_\_\_ , and the other on His \_\_\_\_\_ ."

### READ MARK 15:29-32

#### JESUS' ENEMIES AT THE CROSS

1. Write the number from the box in the first side to the little box at the end of the statement on right box on the other side.

1. They that passed by

and buildest it again in three days.

2. The said, Ah, thou that destroyeth the temple

He saved others; Himself He cannot save.

3. Save thyself

see and believe.

4. The chief priest made fun of Jesus. They said

railed (made fun) at Him, waging their heads.

5. The chief priests made fun of Him again. They said for Jesus to take Himself down from the cross. Then they would

and come down from the cross.

2. Who stood around and made fun of Jesus while He suffered on the cross for their sins and ours?

- 1) verse 29 - They that
- 2) verse 31 - The
- 3) verse 31 - The
- 4) verse 32 - They that

These were the enemies of Jesus. They were the same ones who followed Him around and tried to catch Him in their traps. Now they thought they had won. How wrong they were!

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