

The Saddest Day in History

Matthew 27:45-54

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Introduction:

- **Matthew 26:26-29**
 - **Matthew 26:39**
 - **Matthew 26:42**
 - **Matthew 26:48-49**
 - **Matthew 26** – Jesus before the Caiaphas and the Sanhedrin
 - **Matthew 27** – Judas takes his own life ... Jesus before Pilate ... Jesus carries His cross and He is nailed to it.
 - **Matthew 27:45-54**
 - There are many days in our history that are sad:
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1. The Sixth to the Ninth Hour:

- a. **Matthew 27:45-46**
- b. Greek – **Skotos** ... English – Darkness ... Which means ... “*A condition resulting from a complete absence of light.*”
- c. Greek - **Pas** ... English – All ... Which means ... “*Everything, All ... the Whole of it.*”
- d. **Luke 22:52-53**
- e. **Amos 5:18**
- f. **Amos 5:20**
- g. **Matthew 25:30**
- h. **1st Thessalonians 5:4-7**
- i. **Isaiah 9:2**
- j. **1st John 1:5-7**
- k. **2nd Corinthians 4:4-7**
- l. **1st Peter 2:9**
- m. **Philippians 2:5-11**
- n. **Matthew 27:46**
- o. Jesus was separated from the Trinity for the first time in history.
- p. That was the saddest day in the history of the world.
- q. What did Jesus face for you and me?
 - i. The Pressure of Fear:
 - ii. The Pressure of Loneliness:
 - iii. The Pressure of Silence:
 - iv. The Mock Trials:

- v. Pilate:
- vi. Being Flogged:
- vii. The Three Hours of Darkness:

2. It is Finished:

- a. **John 19:28-30**
- b. Greek - **Teleo** – (*Ta-lay-o*) – English – Finished ... “*Finished ... Complete ... Accomplished ... Paid-In-Full.*”
- c. **Matthew 27:50**
- d. Five things to remember with this passage:
 - i. This was a shout of Victory:
 - ii. Jesus willingly gave up His Spirit: **John 10:17-18**
 - iii. Jesus gave up His Spirit on the ninth hour:
 - iv. The Veil was torn:
 - v. The Earthquake:
- e. When Jesus said, “It is Finished!” we know what it meant to Him ... BUT ... What does it mean to you and me?

3. The Centurion:

- a. **Matthew 27:54**
- b. Three things to keep in mind when thinking about the Centurion:
 - i. Rome had spies around Jesus.
 - ii. This Centurion and his unit may have been assigned to Jesus – **Matthew 8:5-10**
 - iii. The Centurion at the cross, would have seen many crucifixions.