**The Forsaken King**

Mark 15:16-47

Key Verse 15:34

1. How did the Roman soldiers mock and humiliate Jesus? (16-20) Why was Jesus our Messiah despised and rejected? (Isaiah 53:3-4)

2. What does the charge and the title “The KING OF THE JEWS” mean? What was their purpose in crucifying him between two robbers? (Isaiah 53:12b)

3. How did those who passed by Jesus on the cross insult and taunt him? What do their insults and taunts tell us about Jesus’ kingship and what he accomplished on the cross? (29-32)

4. What does Jesus’ cry, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” tell us about his agony of soul? (34) What did the curtain torn from top to bottom mean? (38; Hebrews 10:19-22) What compelled the centurion to exclaim, “Surely this was the Son of God!”? (39)

5. Why did Joseph of Arimathea come forward to ask for Jesus’ body? How is Jesus’ death a demonstration of God’s love? (John 3:16; Romans 5:8)