

## MATTHEW 27; August 16; The Crucifixion of Jesus Christ

### ANALYSIS:

1. What happened to the 30 pieces of silver that Judas received for betraying Jesus? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Who was Barabbas and how does he figure in the story of Jesus? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Before Jesus was led to crucifixion, what punishments did He bear for us? \_\_\_\_\_
4. During the hours Jesus' body was on the cross, what supernatural signs happened? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Who buried Jesus body, and who wanted the tomb sealed? \_\_\_\_\_

### THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

Think of the unusual and supernatural signs the centurion witnessed at Jesus' crucifixion which caused him to proclaim, "Truly this was the Son of God." He had watched Jesus submit to crucifixion "as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he opened not his mouth" (Is 53:7). He had experienced the darkness from noon to 3 in the afternoon. He had heard Jesus cry, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" He had felt the earthquake and watched the rocks crack. The record says he feared greatly, and rightly so, for he had "by wicked hands have crucified and slain" the Lord of Glory (Acts 2:23).

"Jesus paid it all" for every one of his elect. We have no fear of eternal judgment for sins. Let us fear for failing to serve him with zeal in love and faithfulness.

### HELP:

1. Judas cast the silver down in the temple before he hanged himself. The chief priests then bought the potter's field with it for a burial place for strangers (vs 5-7).
2. Barabbas was a notable prisoner. Pilate hoped the rulers and people would ask for Jesus to be released and for Barabbas to be crucified, but they did the opposite (vs 15-22).
3. Jesus was scourged, crowned with thrones, struck on the head with a reed, spit upon, mocked by having a scarlet robe put on him, a reed placed in his hand and having it said to him, "Hail, King of the Jews" (vs 26-30).
4. Darkness upon the land from 6th to 9th hour, Jesus yielding up his spirit, earthquake, rock cracked, graves opened, many bodies of saints arose and appeared to many (vs 50-53).
5. Joseph of Arimathea buried Jesus body, and the chief priests & Pharisees wanted the tomb sealed (vs 57-66).