

Matthew Chapter Twenty-Seven

Keys to This Chapter

Key Passage: Verse 54

“So when the centurion and those with him, who were guarding Jesus, saw the earthquake and the things that had happened, they feared greatly, saying, ‘Truly, this was the Son of God.’”

Key People

Chief priests and elders
Jesus

Pontius Pilate

Judas

Jeremiah

Barabbas

Wife of Pilate

Simon of Cyrene

Scribes

Elijah

Centurion

Mary Magdalene

Mary, mother of James and Joses

Wife of Zebedee

Joseph of Arimathea

Pharisees

Key Places

Praetorium

Golgotha

Key Words

Remorseful

Accustomed

Notorious

Tumult

Scourged

Garrison

Compelled

Gall

Reviled

Day of Preparation

Key Lesson

Questions on the Text

1. To whom did the chief priests and elders send Jesus? (v. 2)
2. What did Judas try to do? What happened when he tried to do it? What did he then do? (vv. 3-5)
3. What did the chief priests do with Judas' money? Why? (vv. 6-10)
4. What did the governor ask Jesus in verse 11? What was His reply?
5. What caused the governor to marvel? (vv. 13-14)
6. What, according to verse 15, was the governor accustomed to doing at the feast? (v. 17) What choice did he give the multitude? What was their decision? (vv. 20-23)
7. What did the governor's wife tell him in regard to Jesus? Why did she tell him that? (v. 19)
8. What, in verse 24, did Pilate do when he saw he could not prevail against the multitude?
9. According to verse 27, where was Jesus taken? What happened to Him there? (vv. 28-31)
10. Who was compelled to carry Jesus' cross? (v. 32) Where was Jesus taken? (v. 33)
11. What was done with Jesus' garments? Why was this done? (vv. 35-36)
12. What, according to verse 37, was placed over the head of Jesus?
13. Who were crucified with Jesus? (v. 38)
14. According to verses 39 and 40, what did those who passed by the crucifixion do?
15. What did the chief priests, scribes and elders mockingly say about Jesus? (vv. 41-43) Who also reviled Jesus? (v. 44)
16. What was over the land from the sixth hour to the ninth hour? (v. 45) What did Jesus cry out at the ninth hour? (v. 46)
17. What happened immediately after Jesus died? (vv. 50-53) Seeing these things, what did a centurion say? (v. 54)
18. Who, according to verses 55 and 56, looked on from afar?
19. Who asked Pilate for the body of Jesus? What did he do with it? (vv. 57-60) Who was there with him? (v. 61)
20. What did the chief priests and Pharisees ask of Pilate? What did he do in response? (vv. 62-66)

Discussion Question

How and why was Jesus forsaken by God while He was on the cross?