

## ► Outline

... "My God, My God, why have You abandoned Me?"

**Matthew 27:46 (NLT)**

**The cries of Jesus on Calvary reveal...**  
(Matthew 27:45-54. C/R: Isaiah 53:11)

1. The agony of \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Matthew 27:45-46. C/R: Psalm 22:1; Isaiah 53:6,10;  
Habakkuk 1:13; 2 Corinthians 5:21; 1 Peter 2:24)

2. The contempt of the \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Matthew 27:47-49. C/R: Psalm 69:21; Isaiah 53:3; Malachi  
4:5-6; John 19:28)

3. The significance of \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Matthew 27:50-53. C/R: Psalm 31:5; Luke 23:46;  
John 10:17-18; 19:30; Hebrews 10:4-10,19-22)

4. The experience of \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Matthew 27:54. C/R: Matthew 10:32; Luke 23:47;  
John 8:32; 1 John 4:15)

**Answers:** 1. abandonment 2. crowd 3. sacrifice 4. execution

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# Questions from Calvary

## An Anguished Question

Message 3

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### ► Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself, with those in your home or with others using video chat.

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#### Conversation Starter

Recall a moment when you received news that was so good you could hardly believe it.

#### Opening in Prayer

Begin with a few minutes of silence. Ask God to open your heart and mind so you can hear His voice. Ask Him to help you respond to what He reveals to you as you study and reflect on this week's lesson.

#### Personal Reflection/Group Discussion

Read [Matthew 27:45-54](#).

1. Why did Jesus feel abandoned by God?  
For further insight, read [2 Corinthians 5:18-21](#); [1 Peter 2:22-25](#).
2. How would you explain why Jesus had to die to someone who really wanted to understand? What would you say that might compel them to open their heart to Him?
3. What specific statements in [Isaiah 53:1-12](#) help you understand the significance and purpose of Jesus' death?
4. What was the immediate impact of Jesus' death?
5. As you read this passage, what did you notice, perhaps for the first time?
6. What does Jesus' death mean for you personally? How have you experienced the heart of God when contemplating the cross?
7. What are some practical steps you can take to help you more fully appreciate Jesus' death?

#### Digging Deeper

8. One of the results of Jesus' crucifixion is that there is no more veil separating us from God. Read [Hebrews 9:1-10](#); [10:19-23](#) and [this article](#), then consider these questions: What's the significance of the curtain in the sanctuary of the Temple being torn in two, from top to bottom ([Matthew 27:50-52](#))? Why does this matter? How does this impact your ability to experience the heart of God and have a closer relationship with Him?
9. Read [Psalm 22](#). David was chased by his enemies. Write down at least three ways David's experience was similar to Jesus' experience in the story of the crucifixion.

#### Soul Training

What has Jesus done for you that makes you thankful and rejoice?

*Make a list.*

#### Memory Verse

*He personally carried our sins in His body on the cross so that we can be dead to sin and live for what is right. By His wounds you are healed.*

[1 Peter 2:24 \(NLT\)](#)

#### Daily Reading

Day 1: [Isaiah 53:1-12](#)

Day 4: [Psalm 71:19-21](#)

Day 2: [Hebrews 10:19-25](#)

Day 5: [John 19:28-30](#)

Day 3: [John 10:14-18](#)

#### Prepare for Next Sunday

Next Sunday, April 12, we'll continue the series titled *Questions from Calvary*. To prepare, read [Luke 24:1-9](#).



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