

**“Jesus’ Painful Encounters with Pain-filled People”**  
**Dr. Mike Harrison – Life Group Notes**

1. Read Matthew 27:3-5 and discuss peacefully & Scripturally reasons why Judas may not be in hell as many have believed?

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2. Read through Governor Pilate’s story in Matthew 27:11-26 and list at least three people or groups he had to please in Jesus’ trial. From the texts alone [not opinion] HOW did he handle conflict?

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b. \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. Have group members share times they faced a difficult decision that was not popular. How did they make the decision? Outcome?

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4. Read Matthew 27:46 – 50 with Luke 23:46 and discuss the contrast between the final statements of Jesus: “My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?” AND “Father, into Your Hands I commit my spirit?” Then clarify what each statement means?

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