

HOME GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Sunday, March 28th, 2021

John 19 — Doug Horner — Simply Jesus

1. This week is holy week, the week that climaxed with Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection over 2,000 years ago. On Sunday, Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey, fulfilling prophecy and proclaiming himself king. Read Matthew 21:4-5. What is the significance of Jesus riding in on a donkey and what does this say about who he is?
2. Pastor Doug talked about what Jesus' crucifixion reveals about what God understands. One thing he pointed out is that God understands brutality. Read John 19:1-7. In what ways did Jesus experience brutality?
3. One great exchange of the cross is that Jesus takes the brutality that we deserve and gives us rest. Read Matthew 11:28. What do you think Jesus meant by this statement?
 - Read Colossians 1:19-23 and Hebrews 4:10. In what ways do the cross bring about our peace and rest?
4. Read the short exchange between Jesus and Pilate in John 19:9-11 and then read Acts 2:23. What do these verses reveal about God's sovereignty and ultimate authority, even in the midst of the crucifixion? What do these verses reveal about the responsibility and guilt of mankind? Why did God allow this to happen?
5. God understands unconditional love. Read 1 John 3:16-18 and Romans 5:8.
 - What is the supreme proof of God's love for us?
 - What do these verse tell us about the radical nature of God's love?
 - How should we respond to God's love?