



The Soldiers: Unmoved by the Cross
The Impact of the Cross – Part 1
John 19:23-24

There is an awesome power in the cross. There is a mysterious magnetism about the cross that attracts us to Christ. But the soldiers who crucified Christ were unmoved by the cross. These men were participating in the most gripping event of history, yet they were ignoring it. And the reason these Roman soldiers were unmoved by the cross are the same reasons that a lot of people are unaffected today.

I. _____

II. _____

III. _____

* Some historical facts about crucifixion:

- Death by crucifixion was _____ and extremely _____
- Condemned criminals were forced to wear a _____ around their neck stating the reason for their conviction.
- The condemned person was _____ of his clothing before the crucifixion as further humiliation.
- The naked criminal was often _____.

- The condemned was then affixed to a rough wooden _____ that would be in one of _____ shapes.
- Crucified victims would sometimes take several _____ to die.
- When death did not come quick enough, they would _____ the legs of the crucified victim.
- The cross usually measured no more than about _____ feet high.