



# THE FINAL WORD

## JESUS' REMARKABLE STATEMENTS LEADING TO HIS DEATH STUDY QUESTIONS AND CONVERSATION GUIDE

It is a curious thing to discover a condemned man's last words. Some desperately plead their innocence, others express their remorse or regret, and others obstinately justify their horrendous behavior. The truly innocent One, Jesus, did none of that, but instead ministered even while he waited to die. In this series, we will hang on each word our Savior uttered.

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### THIRST NO MORE

At this point in our discussion, it is about 12:00 N. Jesus has been hanging on the cross for three hours and will die three hours later. So much has happened as spectators lustily mock and ridicule. Jesus's humanity is now on display mentioning his thirst.

### QUESTIONS

- Scholars have provided a neat timeline of Good Friday events. Let's discuss.
- Jesus was crucified at the 3<sup>rd</sup> hour, which was at 9:00 AM. What was his physical condition at this point?
- At noon, darkness descended upon the land – why was this so significant? Was it simply an eclipse? How long did it last?
- After Jesus addressed his mother Mary and John, and perhaps after he cried the puzzling "My God my God why have you forsaken me?" he then said, "I thirst." John writes that this was to fulfill scripture – what scripture? (Psalm 22, Psalm 69:21)
- Jesus was offered vinegar, gall and myrrh earlier, but he declined. Why?
- Is there a connection between this statement, the last supper, and the marriage supper of the lamb?

- Why is prophesy fulfillment so important? How many prophecies were fulfilled in the last 24 hours of Jesus's earthly life?
- How does the humanity of Jesus affect the work of salvation?
- Words of encouragement?

**SPRINGBOARD VERSE**

Psalm 69:21 ESV They gave me poison for food,  
and for my thirst they gave me sour wine to drink.