



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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Just before Jesus died on the cross, he made two proclamations that were both puzzling and profound.

QUESTIONS

- We've discussed at great length, the day Jesus died, by considering his remarkable statements throughout. The last two things he said, however, were defining, altering the spiritual course of the world. Let's review the events, of the day.
- In Luke 23, some amazing things happened. The "sun's light failed" for three hours (12:00 N to 3:00 PM). The second was equally as astonishing: The curtain of the temple was torn in two. (Luke 23:43) What was the significance of each of these events.
- According to John (John 19:30, Jesus called out loudly, "It is finished!" WHAT was finished?
- According to Luke, Jesus then called out in a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit." What does this mean? Does it have anything to do with the submissive and obedient will of Jesus?
- Let's fast forward a few days. Jesus died, then was buried by a man name Joseph. Explain what happened, and was this another prophesy fulfilled?

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John 19:30 ESV When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "It is finished," and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Luke 23:46 ESV Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!" And having said this he breathed his last