



Title: Crucifixion

Scripture: Matthew 27:32-44

Date Preached: August 29, 2021

DISCUSSION STARTER:

What is something that has changed your life?

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Read the scripture text as a group. If you were unable to worship with us on Sunday, you can watch this week's sermon at my.worthingtoncc.org/listen.

1. Who carried Jesus' cross and why did he have to carry it? Describe the events from the Last Supper to our text today.

For further discussion read and compare the crucifixion accounts in Mark 15 and Luke 23. What other details do these authors add?

2. Read and compare Psalm 22 and Matthew 27. What do you think of these similarities and why are they important?
3. Of all the ways Jesus had to die, why did he have to be crucified on a cross? Why did he have to die in the manner that he did, especially during this time when people were gathering to celebrate the Passover?
4. Verses 41-43 reference the chief priests and the teachers of the law. Based upon our study through Matthew, what do you think of this interaction? This group interacted with Jesus several times throughout his ministry, what might they be thinking now?
5. Read Romans 5:6-11. What makes the cross so significant to the Christian faith? Based on this Romans passage, what does Jesus take upon himself at the cross? If Jesus didn't die on the cross, what would the implications be for humanity?

MY NEXT STEP:

This week, consider the cross and the reality of the pain and love surrounding the crucifixion. The cross truly changes everything. Reflect on this question - how does the cross change me?

"I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." – Galatians 2:20

Next Week's Sermon Title: Resurrection