

SERMON SERIES: The Cost
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Introduction

- Have you ever asked: If God is good, why does (insert anything bad here) happen?
- How did you answer the above question?
- In the midst of your suffering, where is your focus?

Seek the Word

Read Luke 22:66 - Luke 23:49.

- In verse 70, what did Jesus mean He said, I am? (I am the Creator, Sustainer, Lord of all, beginning and the end.)
- Why did Pilate allow Jesus to be crucified? (He possibly feared Caesar over God, he feared the people)
- Why didn't Jesus carry His own cross?
- What does Luke 23:31 mean? (Evil men will put to death perfection, what more will they do to us who are sinners?)
- Why do you think that the crucifixion wasn't described in the Gospels?
- Where will the criminal who rebuked the other criminal be at for eternity? (See verse 43)
- What did this criminal do to go to paradise with Jesus? (Believed)
- See verse 45, why was the curtain torn in two? (The gospel is for ALL, each one of us has access to God through a relationship with Jesus)

Talk About It

- After thinking about the crucifixion, why do bad things happen to us and others? (Could it be that none of us are that great [Romans 3:23] and our life is but a mist [James 4:14] and there is purpose in our suffering [Romans 8:28])
- Reflecting on the cost that Jesus walked through with the crucifixion, how does that impact you today? What about your eternity?
- Who needs to hear this eternity changing message of Jesus?
- Would you extend an invite to them this week?