

Sunday Text Questions

John 19:28-42

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- 1) Starter Question: Why is the crucifixion of Jesus so important to the Christian faith?
- 2) Read the text aloud and discuss together any significant observations or issues needing clarification.
- 3) Why does this passage want to connect so many details of Jesus death' to what Scripture promised in the Old Testament (cf. vv. 28, 36-37)?
- 4) Do you think the Roman guards are being helpful or hurtful by their actions in v. 29 (clue: read Psalm 69:21)?
- 5) Why might it be important that v. 30 says Jesus "gave up his spirit?"
- 6) With the help of 1 John 5:6-8, how is v. 34 speaking not only historically but also symbolically about the sacrifice of Jesus and the coming Spirit from Jesus?
- 7) What is the narrator trying to tell us when he interjects in vv. 35-37?
- 8) How does the reappearance of Nicodemus in v. 39 suggest that he is no longer a challenger of Jesus (3:1-15) but a follower of Jesus (cf. 7:40-52)?
- 9) How do the symbolic details of the burial of Jesus (100-pounds of fragrances, a garden, and a virgin tomb) guide us to see deeper, theological truths about Jesus death?
- 10) How would you explain the significance of Jesus' death to a non-Christian?

Further study this week: Genesis 2 on the first garden (Mon); Revelation 21-22 on the third garden (Tues); Psalm 69 on the suffering and thirst of Christ (Wed); Exodus 12 on the Passover and hyssop (Thurs); 1 John 5 on the necessity of the blood and water of Christ (Fri).