

Jesus Dies

A Sinner's Death

John 19:16-42 | Mar 29, 2026

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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1. Palm Sunday; March 29
2. Good Friday; April 3
3. Easter Sunday; April 5
4. FaithMoms; April 9
5. New Visitors' Lunch; April 12
6. Financial Peace University; begins April 12
7. Cookie Sunday; April 12
8. Women's Retreat; April 17-19

INTRODUCTION:

Read our passage.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. **The Mystery of the King:** In verses 19–22, Pilate insists on the title “King of the Jews” for Jesus’ cross, despite the religious leaders’ protests. Why do you think John highlights this detail? In what ways is Jesus’ “kingship” on the cross different from the world’s idea of power?
2. **The Fulfillment of Scripture:** John repeatedly notes that things happened “to fulfill the Scripture” (the soldiers casting lots, Jesus being thirsty). How does seeing God’s hand in these specific, painful details

affect your trust in Him when your own life feels chaotic or out of control?

3. **The Final Word:** When Jesus says, “It is finished” (v. 30), he uses a single word in the original Greek (*tetelestai*), often used to mean “paid in full.” What specifically was “finished” in that moment? How does that reality change how you view your own mistakes or “debts” before God?
4. **Relationships at the Cross:** Even in his final moments of agony, Jesus ensures his mother is cared for by the “disciple whom he loved” (vv. 25–27). What does this tell us about the importance of the “family of faith” and how we should care for one another during seasons of suffering?
5. **Stepping Out of the Shadows:** Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus were “secret” disciples who finally went public to claim Jesus’ body (vv. 38–42). What do you think gave them the courage to step forward at the moment when Jesus seemed most defeated? Is there an area of your life where you feel challenged to be more “public” about your faith?

BREAKOUT SESSIONS:

Prayer Focus: Pray for ongoing outreach and missions, people in our body, and for our leaders.

Personal Practical Application: What was the most significant truth God showed you this week? How can you apply that to your life today?