

December 3, 2017
Mark 15:15-25

REMEMBERING GOLGOTHA

I. Introduction:

Preparing For The Lord's Supper

II. Three Scenes On The Pathway To Golgotha

A. Jesus And The _____

1.) The Scourging

"Wanting to satisfy the crowd, Pilate released Barabbas to them. He had Jesus **flogged**, and handed him over to be crucified." Mark 15:15

2.) The Scoffing

¹⁶ The soldiers led Jesus away into the palace (that is, the Praetorium) and called **together the whole company of soldiers.** ¹⁷ They put a purple robe on him, then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on him. ¹⁸ And they began to call out to him, "Hail, king of the Jews!" " Mark 15:16-18

3.) The Smiting

¹⁹ Again and again **they struck him on the head with a staff and spit on him.** Falling on their knees, they paid homage to him.

B. Jesus And _____

²¹ A certain man from Cyrene, Simon, the father of Alexander and Rufus, was passing by on his way in from the country, and they forced him to carry the cross.” Mark 15:21

- 1.) Simon’s Selection
- 2.) Simon’s Shame

C. Jesus And The _____

²² They brought Jesus to the place called **Golgotha** (which means The Place of the Skull). ²³ Then they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it. ²⁴ And they crucified him. Dividing up his clothes, they cast lots to see what each would get. ²⁵ It was the third hour when they crucified him.” Mark 15:22-25

- 1.) It Was A Place Of Choices

III. Conclusion and Application:

POINTS TO PONDER

Week Beginning December 3, 2017

Mark 15:16-20

Open It

1. How have your friends encouraged you during difficult times in your life?

2. *What kids do you remember being mocked or put down when you were in elementary school?
3. What do you think it would be like to go through a painful experience without the support of your friends or family?

Explore It

4. Where did the soldiers take Jesus after His trial with Pilate? (15:16)
5. Who was present there in the palace? (15:16)
6. Once Jesus had been tried, convicted, and sentenced, who mocked and struck Him? (15:16-20)
7. What kind of suffering did Jesus undergo even before being crucified? (15:16-20)
8. *What did the soldiers do to Jesus? (15:17-20)
9. Why did the soldiers put a purple robe and a crown on Jesus? (15:17)
10. *What did the soldiers say in mockery of Jesus? (15:18)
11. *Why did the soldiers fall on their knees before Jesus? (15:19)
12. How did the soldiers hurt Jesus? (15:17-20)
13. What do the soldiers' actions tell us about their understanding of who Jesus really was? (15:17-20)

Get It

14. What do you think the soldiers had heard about Jesus?
15. How do you think the soldiers' actions affected Jesus emotionally?
16. *What difference does it make that Jesus endured harsh ridicule and pain for our sake?
17. When have you been ridiculed for being a Christian?
18. How does it feel to be mocked by others?
19. *How should we respond when others mock our faith?
20. How can we show our appreciation to Jesus for enduring such humiliation for us?
21. What can we learn from Jesus about how to deal with pain and suffering?
22. Why does God allow us to suffer?
23. For what Christians who are suffering for their faith can you pray?

Apply It

24. *What should be your response if you are criticized for your faith this week?
25. What could you say or do to encourage another believer who is suffering for his or her faith?