



1. Ponder _____ (v.31)

Luke 18:31 And taking the twelve, he said to them, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and everything that is written about the Son of Man by the prophets will be accomplished. **32** For he will be delivered over to the Gentiles and will be mocked and shamefully treated and spit upon. **33** And after flogging him, they will kill him, and on the third day he will rise." **34** But they understood none of these things. This saying was hidden from them, and they did not grasp what was said.
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2. Consider _____ (vv.32-33)

3. Pray _____ (v.34)

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **1 Corinthians 1:18-24**. What are some of the reasons the biblical teaching that the perfect Christ died a horrible death on a cross as an actual substitute for sinners is so summarily rejected by the people of this world?
2. Read **1 Peter 2:4-10**. What is the problem with the approach of some Christians to try to "proclaim the excellencies of God" to the world, without ever including any references to sin, the cross, or our need for mercy?
3. Read **Matthew 16:21-23**. Even after the cross, how do we Christians sometimes fall into the thinking of Peter in this passage? What are some current parallels to this scene that show that we want a culturally accepted theology?
4. Read **Hebrews 10:1-10**. How might you think differently about your redemption had you spent the first half of your life participating in old covenant sacrificial worship, and the second half worshipping God as a follower of the risen Christ?
5. Read **Ephesians 1:7-10**. How can a passage like this help you love and worship God more sincerely?

This Week's Bible Reading Schedule

October 15th

Is. 56-58 & 1Th. 3

October 16th

Is. 59-61 & 1Th. 4

October 17th

Is. 62-64 & 1Th. 5

October 18th

Is. 65-66 & 2Th. 1

October 19th

Jer. 1-2 & 2Th. 2

October 20th

Jer. 3-4 & 2Th. 3

October 21st

Jer. 5-6 & 1Tim. 1

October 22nd

Jer. 7-8 & 1Tim. 2

The following related sermons are also available for downloading or streaming on the Focal Point Website (FocalPointMinistries.org).

Msg. 16-35 – **Astonished at God's Amazing Grace**

Msg. 10-23 – **Perspectives on Fairness, Justice, and Grace**

Msg. 14-10 – **Making Sure We Don't Miss the King**

Msg. 06-35 – **What's with All the Animal Sacrifices, and Why No More?**

Msg. 15-55 – **Our Salvation: Grace**

Msg. 04-27 – 04-31 – **Life's Last Enemy** (a five-part series on death and resurrection)

Msg. 10-51 – 10-61 – **Christology** (a twelve-part series on the person & work of Christ)

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Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

- Bingham, Jeffery and Glenn Kreider, eds. **Dispensationalism and the History of Redemption**. Moody Publishers, 2015.
- Brown, Michael L. **Answering Jewish Objections to Jesus: (vol.3) Messianic Prophecy Objections**. Baker Books, 2003.
- Green, Michael. **Christ is Risen, So What? Is It True? Does It Matter?** Sovereign World, 1996.
- Hill, Charles and Frank James, eds. **The Glory of the Atonement: Biblical, Theological, and Practical**. IVP, 2010.
- Jeffery, Steve, et al. **Pierced for Our Transgressions: Rediscovering the Glory of Penal Substitution**. Crossway, 2007.
- Kaiser, Walt. **The Messiah in the Old Testament**. Zondervan, 1995.
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- Murray, John. **Redemption Accomplished and Applied**. Eerdmans, 1984.
- Owen, John. **Death of Death in the Death of Christ**. Banner of Truth, 1959.
- Packer, J. I. and Mark Dever. **In My Place Condemned He Stood**. Crossway Books, 2008.
- Piper, John. **Counted Righteous: Should We Abandon the Imputation of Christ's Righteousness?** Crossway, 2002.
- Schaeffer, Francis A. **The Finished Work of Christ: The Truth of Romans 1 – 8**. Crossway Books, 1998.
- Stott, John R. W. **The Cross of Christ**. InterVarsity Press, 1986.
- Varner, William. **The Messiah: Revealed, Rejected, Received**. Author House, 2004.