

Questions for Reflection and Discussion

Famous Last Words

Getting Started

Many well-known people have been remembered by their last words. What would you like to be your last words?

Digging In

1. **Read Luke 23:32-34.** What does Jesus' statement reveal about his character? What does it reveal about those who crucified him?
2. **Read Luke 23:35-43.** What was the difference between the two criminals who were crucified with Jesus? Paraphrase Jesus' promise to the second criminal.
3. **Read John 19:25-27.** How did Jesus provide for his mother?
4. How would you have felt if you were John?
5. **Read Matthew 27:45-46.** What is the significance of Jesus' *cry of desolation*? What happened at this moment in time?
6. **Read John 19:28-29.** How does John emphasize that everything that happened to Christ was ultimately part of God's plan? (cf. Acts 2:22-24; 4:27-28)
7. **Read John 19:30.** What was finished?
8. **Read Luke 23:44-46.** What do we learn from this passage (and John 19:30) about the voluntary nature of Christ's death?
9. **Read Matt 28:18-20.** What does this passage tell us about Jesus' victory over death, and about his authority?
10. **Read Rev 1:17-18.** What additional information are we given in this passage? (cf. Rev 1:8)



Getting Personal

- Which of the 7 *Last Sayings* is most meaningful to you? Why?
- What does the resurrection reveal about Jesus? (Rom 1:4)
- Why is the resurrection of Christ absolutely essential to our faith in him?
- How does Christ's resurrection give us hope for the future?