

# **WATCHING JESUS DIE**

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**And sitting down they watched him there;**

## **I. THEY SAW HIS COURAGE**

**Matthew 27:34 They gave him vinegar to drink mingled with gall: and when he had tasted (thereof), he would not drink.**

**Heb 2:9 But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man.**

## II. THEY SAW HIS LOVE

Jesus made 7 brief statements while on the cross

- Father forgive them
- Today thou shalt be with me in Paradise
- Behold thy Mother
- My God, my God why hast thou forsaken me?
- I thirst
- It is finished
- Into thy hands I commend my spirit

### **“Father, forgive them” Luke 23:33**

A. Notice when he prayed –

1. After he had been \_\_\_\_\_.
2. After he had been \_\_\_\_\_.
3. After he had been \_\_\_\_\_.
4. After he had been \_\_\_\_\_.

## B. Notice for whom he prayed

1. For those \_\_\_\_\_ for his being on the cross.
2. Forgive the religious \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.
3. Forgive the \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Forgive the \_\_\_\_\_.

Here we see Jesus practicing what he \_\_\_\_\_.

**Matthew 5:44 – Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, pray for them that despitefully use you and persecute you.**

HERE WE SEE THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF  
THE HUMAN HEART

HERE WE SEE THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF EVERY PERSON

### **III. THEY SAW HIS TRIUMPH**

**Matt 27:54 – Now when the centurion, and they that were with him, watching Jesus, saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying, Truly this was the Son of God.**