

# **The Humiliation of the Messiah**

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## I. Introduction.

A. Text: Matthew 27:27-44.

B. Soldiers, people, religious leaders, and robbers mocked Jesus.

## II. Soldiers.

A. They scourged Him.

B. They put on Him a scarlet robe and crown of thorns mocking His royalty. (Genesis 3, Galatians 3)

## III. The people.

A. The people guarded Him. (John 19:34)

B. The Romans pull out Simon to help Jesus carry the cross.

C. Simon likely became a believer after this experience.

D. The soldiers cast lots for Jesus' clothes. (Psalm 22)

IV. The religious leaders. The religious leaders mocked Jesus telling Him to come down from the cross.

V. The robbers. Thieves were crucified alongside Christ.

## VI. The purpose of Jesus' humiliation.

A. It is the fulfillment of prophesy.

B. Jesus' humiliation is a model for us—we are not to revile when we are humiliated. (I Peter 2, Philippians 2)

C. Jesus' humiliation demonstrates the result of sin.

D. The cross was the hinge of history—it marks whether a person is with Christ or against Him.

### **Application questions:**

1. Why is the humiliation of Christ so important for Christianity?

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2. Who has been a personal model for you of taking revilement without returning it?

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3. How does Jesus' revilement demonstrate the weight of sin?

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