

The First Trophy of Grace from the Cross

Luke 23:34-43

(series #139)

Intro: Jesus divides humanity right down the middle

I. The Compassionate Prayer of Jesus v. 34a

- A. This was focused on the Romans
- B. It also included the Jews (Acts 2:41)
- C. All were somewhat ignorant - Acts 3:17
- D. All were still guilty and undeserving

II. The Dividing of the Clothes of Jesus v. 34b

- A. Each soldier took one part
- B. They gambled for the tunic - John 19:23

III. The Mocking of the Various Groups vv. 35-39

- A. The Jewish leaders mocked v. 35
- B. The soldiers mocked vv. 36-37
- C. Pilate mocked (John 19:20-22) v. 38
- D. The criminals mocked (Matt. 27; Mk 15) v. 39

IV. The Salvation of the Repentant Thief vv. 40-43

- A. His thoughts turned to God v. 40
- B. He knew he was undeserving v. 41
- C. He asked for mercy & was saved vv. 42-43

Conclusion: Where will you be when you die?