The Death And Burial Of Jesus

Luke 23:44-56 (44-46)

Intro.

A. Jesus Christ was killed.
1. He had taught this to His disciples.
   vs. 31-33
2. The manner of His death was crucifixion.
   vs. 33
3. Two malefactors were crucified also.
   vs. 34
4. This was done at the place of the skull.

B. At this place of bloody death salvation was promised and purchased.
   vs. 39
   1. One man railed on Jesus.
   vs. 42
   2. One man requested salvation.

I. The Death Of Jesus.

A. All nature is disturbed by this scene.
   vs. 44
   1. The time was "about noon".
   vs. 44
   2. Darkness fell at noon until 3 p.m.
   vs. 44
   3. It was over all the land (earth)
   vs. 45
   4. The sun refused to shine.

B. The Mosaic system of worship ended.
   vs. 45b
   1. "the veil of the temple was rent in midst..."
   vs. 45
   2. The shadows have given way to substance.
   vs. 44
   3. The types are now reality.
   vs. 45
   4. The prophecies are now fulfilled.
   col. 2:14
   5. The law is nailed to the cross.
   vs. 45
   6. The Levitical priesthood has ended
   vs. 46, 47
   and Jesus is now the only one.
   vs. 48
   7. The wall is broken down.

C. Jesus died on the cross.
   vs. 46
   1. Jesus cried out with a loud voice.
C. What the women did.
Vs.54 1. It was time to prepare for the Sabbath.
Vs.55 2. They watched and followed Joseph.
Vs.56 3. They returned to their homes and prepared spices and ointments.
4. They rested on the Sabbath.
They did what they should have done!

III. Some Lessons To Learn.

A. Don't be like one of the men who died with Jesus.
  1. Don't wait until you are dying!
  2. You may not get prior notice.

B. Don't be like Joseph of Arimathea, a secret disciple.
  1. Make your profession of faith.
  2. Follow Jesus in baptism.

C. Don't be like the Centurion.
  1. He seems to admired Jesus.
  2. He complemented Him.

D. Don't be like Simon Peter.
  1. He denied Him at His trial.
  2. He forsook Him at His death.

E. Be like John.
  1. Stand close so He can see.
  2. Be there to help.