

Famous Last Words are a funny thing. Both Eastern and Western cultural traditions ascribe special significance to words spoken at or near death.

In this series we are going to look at the last words of Jesus, before He went to the cross and while He was on it. Because these famous last words communicate so much about who Jesus is and the life He is calling each of us to live. As we move into the Easter season

and prepare our hearts to reflect on the cross and celebrate the empty tomb we thought it would be helpful to look at these deeply theological phrases that Jesus spoke on the day He went to the cross. How can these words can help us in our own lives?

The common question we are going to ask throughout this series is not "What Would Jesus Do?", but "What Did Jesus Do?", and "What Are We To Do?"

DISCUSS

- What is your current level of trust in God? What types of events or situations help you build your trust in God?
- Describe a time when you felt completely alone or abandoned by God. How did God ultimately show you that you were not alone?
- What are some of the "why" questions you have asked God?

STUDY

- Read Matthew 27:37-46. This passage of Scripture describes some of Jesus' final moments as He was crucified on the cross.
- Read Isaiah 55:8-9, Mark 10:18, Romans 8:31-33, and Proverbs 3:5-6.
- What are some of the frustrations or questions you are currently struggling with? How can you change your "why" to "what" in each of these areas?

WHAT'S NEXT

- In prayer, confess those areas of your life where you feel abandoned by God. Ask Him for His comfort.
- Pray and ask God to show you "what" instead of "why" when it comes to enduring things in your life you don't understand.