

Simon of Cyrene Discussion Questions

Mark 15:21-32

1. If God was still writing the Bible, what would He write about you?
2. If you were to make a trip to Jerusalem, what would be some of the things you would want to see or do?
3. What would your attitude be if you were in Simon's place and you were asked to carry the cross?
4. How do you react to difficult things when you haven't eaten or slept and are going through a lot of stress? Would you find it difficult to keep your mouth shut? Why or why not?
5. Why is it important to keep calm and in control during times of emotional and spiritual exhaustion? What impact do we have if we don't stay calm and in control?
6. Simon may have been disappointed that he was not going to be able to celebrate Passover the way he dreamed about. What disappointments have you dealt with that you can look back and see as a blessing?
7. How can God make good come out of what seems to be a wrong place, wrong time situation?
8. What are the consequences of rejecting Christ?
9. What are some of the realities that Jesus faced on the cross? (What would cause the pain and suffering He went through?)
10. How does thinking and talking about the cross affect you? Why is it important to remember this and to talk about it?
11. How do you respond when people mock you? What can we learn from Jesus reaction to the mockers from the cross?
12. What does it mean to "take up your cross and follow me?"
13. Are you bearing the Lord's cross and following Him through life, gladly bearing the shame and reproach? Why or why not?
14. How has your life changed since you encountered Christ?
15. What have you surrendered, suffered, or sacrificed for Christ lately?
16. What makes it hard for us to put aside our agenda and follow Christ? How do we let go?
17. What is one thing you can start doing today to start living a more committed life for Him?