

“Father, Forgive Them”

Luke 23:32-34

Introduction

- I. It is an interesting study to notice what Jesus said while He hung on the cross.
- II. The examples that Jesus left should motivate us to be more like Him.

Discussion

- I. Jesus was willing to forgive, regardless of how He was treated (Luke 23:35-39; Mark 15:15-20, 29-32).
 - A. Too many people are unwilling to forgive, but rather seek revenge.
 - B. We must learn from the example of Jesus (1 Pet. 2:20-23; 3:8-9; Rom 12:17-21; cf. Acts 7:60).
- II. Forgiveness will only be given to us if we forgive others (Matt. 6:14-15).
 - A. It does not matter how many times that we have to forgive (Matt. 18:21-22; Luke 17:3-4).
 - B. We all have our own sins that need to be forgiven (Rom. 3:10-18, 23; 1 John 1:8-10).
- III. How can we be forgiven?
 - A. Every sinner can be forgiven (1 Tim. 1:12-16).
 - B. What were they told to do in the first century (Acts 2:37-38; 8:35-38; 10:47-48; 16:30-33; Rev. 2:10)?

Conclusion

- I. The amazing forgiveness of Jesus is worth our study.
- II. Let us obtain forgiveness and forgive others.