

Mocking and Killing the Innocent King **Mark 15:16-38**

Mocking the innocent King, 16-20

- ▶ This = third of six episodes of mocking Jesus, 14:65, Lk. 23:11.
- ▶ Soldiers' mock Jesus after a terrible, life-threatening scourging.
- ▶ Kingship is focus—robe, scepter, crown, bowing, Matt. 27:27ff.

Crucifying the innocent King, 21-28

- ▶ Simon's conscription recalls 8:34; Rom. 16:13 may mean . . .
- ▶ Why does Jesus resist the pain-deadening wine/myrrh?
- ▶ Kingship focus again (inscription). Compare v.27 to 10:35-39.

Mocking the innocent King, 29-32

- ▶ Passersby mock over temple-destruction claim—Save yourself!
- ▶ Religious leaders mock Jesus' kingship and saving others / self.
- ▶ Thieves mock (Matt. 27:44, Lk. 23:39) about saving others / self.
How explain criminal in 23:40-44? Same w/centurion in 23:47.

Crying out by the dying innocent King, 33-38

- ▶ Darkness from noon till three = judgment, Amos 8:9
- ▶ Jesus cries out twice (1st = Ps. 22:1 and not a cry for salvation!)
- ▶ Tearing the H. of H. veil symbolizes new cov. (Heb. 9:1ff., 10:19, 20). Matthew includes quakes / raised folks, 27:52-54.
What does all this mean for you and me?

