

# Abandoned

## Matthew 27:45-54

### The Big Idea

#### **Jesus was abandoned by the Father**

A mystery that can be stated but cannot explained

Jesus is a member of the Trinity

1 being: God

3 persons: Father, Son, Holy Spirit

On the cross, the perfect fellowship of 3 persons in 1 being was temporarily broken

Jesus chose to take our sin as if it were His own

The Father abandoned the Son because of our sin

Because Jesus chose to take our sin as if it were His own, He chose to take the full effects of the Father's holy wrath as if He deserved it

A horror that we cannot fathom (fully understand)

The greater the masterpiece, the greater the tragedy of its loss

2 Corinthians 5:21; Isaiah 53:5-6

#### **so we who deserve it yet trust in Him never will be**

Hebrews 13:5-6; Romans 8:35, 38-39

#### **which stands proven by His rising from the dead and being One with the Father again!**

### Application

We bow in awe and worship the Son of God who died for us

We will trust and obey Him in any and every circumstance, for He will never, ever abandon us

### Reflection Questions

1. How do you understand Jesus' agony on the cross? How would you describe it to someone? (It might be helpful to consider His head, heart, and hands)
2. In addition to being an amazing model for us of submission, love, and self-sacrifice, what did Jesus accomplish by dying on the cross?
3. What makes Good Friday good?