

Context

This passage describes the death of Jesus Christ. These verses speak to our Lord's complete confidence in Scripture and in His own identity. They are also revealing of His humanity. They speak to His oneness with us, sharing fully in the physical limitations of a human body.

We'll read a statement that Jesus made, in verse 28, that sheds light not only on the physical reality he faced on the cross but also one that speaks to the spiritual condition of mankind.

Questions for Study- Read John 19 28-37

1. Good Friday and Easter are just one week away! How has your heart been prepared? How has this period of time leading up to Easter compared to others for you?
2. Take some time to recount the events that have lead up to chapter 19 verse 28. Now read and take down some observations from John 19:28-37.
3. Three different times, in these 9 verses, our attention is drawn to the fact that events are taking place "so that the Scriptures would be fulfilled". In the state of His humanity, where was Jesus deriving His strength and His direction?
4. Throughout the Scriptures when Jesus was faced with temptation, He used Scriptures to combat it. See a couple examples: Matt 4:1-11 / Mark 12:24 / Matt 26:52-54. What can we learn from this example? What inputs (media/people/etc.) are regulars in your life? In which areas of your life would it be helpful to have a scripture in mind?
5. Contrast Jesus' statement in verse 28 to what He told the women at the well in John 4:1-26. In John 19, why is the fountain of "living water" (Jn 4) now thirsty?
6. Reread verse 30. What is "finished"? What are the ramifications of this statement? See 1 Peter 3:18.
7. What was the clear motivation of John in verse 35?
8. Write down 1-2 applications from this passage that you can put into practice this coming week.