

THE TRUE KING

Mark 15:1-20

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SERMON APPLICATION REVIEW

How did you reject “long-distance discipleship” (14:54)?
How did you seek God’s purposes in your pain (14:60–61)?
How did you release your failures to Christ (14:66–72)?

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 15:1–20; Isaiah 53:7–8; Hebrews 4:15; 1 Peter 2:22; 2 Corinthians 5:21;
Philippians 2:9–11; 1 Peter 4:4–5

STUDY QUESTIONS

1. How do you typically respond when misunderstood or falsely accused (15:3–5)? How does Jesus’ example challenge or encourage you?
2. When have you compromised your values to avoid conflict or please others (15:6–15)? What were the consequences? How can you develop the courage to stand firm in your convictions even when pressured?
3. How can you cultivate a deeper trust in God’s justice when you see evil prevail in the world or you experience personal injustice (15:9–14)? In what ways are you tempted to mock or marginalize Jesus through apathy, compromise, or disobedience? What needs to change?
4. Have you ever been ridiculed for being a Christian (15:18)? How did it make you feel? How did you respond? Is there anything you would do differently?
5. How can you follow Jesus’ example of enduring suffering with grace and courage (15:16–20)? What specific situation in your life requires that kind of courage right now? How does Jesus’ suffering in this passage move you to greater gratitude and worship?

RECOMMENDED READING

Tim Keller, *King’s Cross: The Story of the World in the Life of Jesus* (Dutton, 2011)
Elyse M. Fitzpatrick, *Comforts from the Cross* (Crossway, 2009)
Milton Vincent, *A Gospel Primer for Christians: Learning to See the Glories of God’s Love* (Focus, 2008)
Jerry Bridges & Bob Bevington, *The Great Exchange: My Sin for His Righteousness* (Crossway, 2007)