# Understand your Bible Suggested notes

### Mark 15

#### What we will see in this chapter:

- Jesus' trial before Pilate
- People's reactions to Jesus' crucifixion
- Old Testament prophecies being fulfilled

### **1** Read the chapter

**2** Questions to help us in our understanding of this chapter. Look at the chapter verses in your Bible and use the questions to help you make your notes.

Chapter verses	<b>Questions</b> (to help with your notes)	Suggested notes
1 to 3	1. What did Pilate ask Jesus when the chief priests brought accusations against him?	Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?"
4 and 5	2. How did Pilate react when he saw Jesus' response to the accusations?	He was amazed that Jesus didn't defend himself.
6 to 15	3. What did Pilate say and do in response to the people's request?	As he usually released a prisoner at the feast, he offered to release Jesus. When the people wanted Barabbas instead, he had Jesus flogged and handed him over to be crucified.
16 to 25	4. What did the soldiers do to Jesus?	<ul> <li>They:</li> <li>clothed him as a king putting on him a crown of thorns</li> <li>abused him</li> <li>compelled Simon of Cyrene to carry his cross to Golgotha where they crucified him</li> <li>offered him wine with myrrh</li> <li>cast lots for his clothes</li> </ul>
26 to 28 Text note v 28: Scripture quoted is Isaiah 53 v 12.	5. How was Scripture fulfilled?	He was crucified with two robbers fulfilling the Scripture "He was counted with transgressors."
29 and 30	6. How did passers-by react?	They mocked and said "Ha! You who destroy the temple, and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!"

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31 and 32	7. How did the chief priests and scribes react?	They said "He saved others. He can't save himself. Let the Christ, the King of Israel, now come down from the cross, that we may see and believe him."
33 and 34 Text note v 34: Jesus is quoting Psalm 22 v 1.	8. What did Jesus say at the ninth hour?	Jesus said "Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?" which is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"
35 to 41	9. How did people respond to the events?	Some said Jesus was calling Elijah. The centurion said "Truly this man was the Son of God!" Women watched at a distance.
42 to 47	10. What did Joseph of Arimathea do after Jesus died?	Joseph asked Pilate for the body of Jesus. He then wound his body in a linen cloth and put him in a tomb and rolled a stone against the door.

#### **3** Related theme: Jesus' crucifixion fulfilled Old Testament predictions.

Have a look at these verses and see that Christ's crucifixion was foretold in the Old Testament. Make a note of what was predicted in the verse(s).

Verses	Predictions
Psalm 22 v 18 predicts Matthew 27 v 35	Lots would be cast for Jesus' garments.
Psalm 22 v 8 predicts Matthew 27 v 43	People would mock Jesus challenging the Lord's trust in God.
Psalm 69 v 21 predicts Matthew 27 v 48	Jesus would be offered vinegar to drink.
Isaiah 53 v 9 predicts Matthew 27 v 38, 44, 57 to 60	Jesus would be associated with wicked men (the two robbers) and rich men (Joseph of Arimathea).