

## **The Experience of the Cross (Mark 15:34)**

### **Sermon Devotional**

**Series: The Cross**

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1. What is something that was at one time new, but now you have gotten used to it?
2. Do you believe it is possible to take the cross of Christ for granted?

#### Digging Deeper

3. Read Mark 15:34 or access Pastor David's message at [broadviewchurch.com/media](http://broadviewchurch.com/media).
4. The Gospel writers do not describe Jesus' death in detail. Why do you think this is so?
5. In Mark 14:36, when Jesus was praying in the Garden of Gethsemane, he wanted "this cup" to be taken away from him. To what do you believe he was referring?
6. How physically painful do you believe Jesus' crucifixion was?
7. If a "cup" was a metaphor for punishment in the Old Testament, who was the one punishing Jesus on the cross?
8. For what purpose was Jesus punished on the cross?

#### Bringing It Home

9. Jesus did not want to be separated from the Father on the cross. Yet he was willing to obey. Are you willing to obey God when it means that you suffer?
  10. Read Psalm 22. Notice that it ends in victory. How did the cross of Christ end up being a victory for both him and us?
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