

**RMON SERIES:** Quest 52  
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## **Sermon Title:**

“Why Did Jesus Die?”

## **Introduction**

This week as we continue in our series, Quest 52, we explore the question, “Why did Jesus die?” Understanding this is pivotal to understanding the salvation that we receive because of his death. And in studying Jesus’ mission, we see that Jesus died for us, so that we might be made right with God.

- Share a memorable Easter tradition or memory from your childhood. How did it shape your understanding of the significance of Easter?

## **Seek the Word**

- Read Matthew 27:27-50. When studying the crucifixion of Jesus, we see the great lengths that he goes through to pay for our sins and make us right with God. How does this inform our understanding of how far we have strayed from God? How does it display just how much God loves us?
- Read Romans 3:21-26. How do we understand our relationship with God in light of our sinfulness? How does Jesus change the narrative?

## **Go Deeper**

Read Genesis 3:1-24. Here we read about when sin entered the world. How do we see Adam and Eve respond to sin? How does God respond? How does this set up the narrative of the Gospel?

## **Talk About It**

- Spend some time together as a group reflecting on the crucifixion of Jesus. Reflect on the punishment he received undeservingly. What does it mean for you that our God would sacrifice so much so that we can have a relationship with him?
- Reflect on your own sinfulness. Is there something in your life right now that you need to offer to God? How can you surrender it at the foot of the cross?
- Reflect on your relationship with God in light of Jesus. Are there things in your life worth praising God for because of the change in your life because of Christ?

## **Wrap Up**

*Reminder:* Jesus died to pay the penalty of my sin.

*Challenge:* This week, set aside time each day for personal reflection and prayer, focusing on the sacrifice Jesus made on the cross for our sins. Consider reading through the passages describing Jesus’ crucifixion in the Gospels (Matthew 27, Mark 15, Luke 23, John 19) and meditate on the depth of his love for us.