

## POWER OF THE CROSS

Today, we will explore what happened at the cross. Was it really such a big sacrifice for Jesus and the Father? Let us look at the final moments of Jesus' life on earth together. Lets see the love of God revealed in the power of the cross.

1. **When Jesus was born into this world, how many levels did he come down?**

**Bible Text** – Hebrews 1:4; Hebrews 2:9

2. **Where did Jesus go in the last moments of his life before he was crucified? How did he feel?**

**Bible Text** – Matthew 26:37-38

3. **What did Jesus not want to drink?**

**Bible Text** – Matthew 26:39

4. **What was it that Jesus tasted in this cup?**

**Bible Text** – Jeremiah 25:15; Revelation 14:10; Hebrews 2:9

5. **Why did Jesus have to taste death for every man?**

**Bible Text** – Romans 6:23; 2 Corinthians 5:21

Note: After the Garden of Gethsemane, the Jewish leaders with Roman soldiers came to arrest Jesus. He was beaten, insulted, falsely accused and finally brought before Pilate. Under tremendous pressure from the Jews, Pilate relented and sentenced Jesus to death by crucifixion.

6. **Why was Jesus crucified? How did the Jews view this?**

**Bible Text** – Galatians 3:13

7. **Why did Jesus cry out “My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me” on the cross?**

**Bible Text** – Matthew 27:46; Psalm 22:1-2; Isaiah 59:2

8. **Had Jesus ever experienced separation from the Father before Gethsemane and the cross?**

**Bible Text** – John 8:29

9. **Jesus already knew that He would be raised in 3 days. Why does it seem like He could not believe that?**

**Bible Text** – Matthew 17:23; John 12:49-50

10. **Why was there darkness around the cross while Jesus was dying?**

**Bible Text** – Matthew 27:45, 51; Deuteronomy 5:22; Exodus 20:21

11. **Why did Jesus and the Father, endure the pain, rejection of man and separation?**

**Bible Text** – John 3:16; John 15:13

Who can love you more than that? Jesus broke His heart willingly for you and I. The gift of life that we enjoy now and the gift of eternal life later came at a great cost to the royal family of God. The Father lost His Son, and Jesus sacrificed His life for us. God was willing to give up everything to save us. Why would we want to reject such a precious gift? Let us accept Jesus today.