

## Sermon Outline

“Ironic Mockery”

Matthew 27:27-44

- I. The mock enthronement vv.27-31
  - Robe, crown and staff vv. 27-28a
  - Mocking his kingship v. 28b
  - Abuse of Jesus’ body v. 30
  - The walk to the cross v. 31
  
- II. The crucifixion vv. 32-38
  - The “parade” v. 32
  - The location v. 33
  - The offer of mixed wine v. 34 (*cf.* Ps 69:21-22)
  - The actual crucifixion vv. 35-37
    - Dividing his garments v. 35 (Ps 22:18)
    - Watching him v. 36 (*see* vv. 48, 54)
    - The accusation v. 37 (*cf.* v. 11)
  - The fellow-sufferers (insurrectionists) v. 38
  
- III. Three witnesses of Israel vv. 39-44
  - The passersby vv. 39-40 (*see* Lam 2:15)
    - “Save thyself”
    - “Come down from the cross”
  - The Sanhedrin vv. 41-43 (*cf.* 16:21)
    - “Himself he cannot save”
    - “Let him come down from the cross”
    - “Let God deliver him”
  - The insurrectionists v. 44
    - Repeated the mockery of others
  

Consider Jn 1:10-13; Mt 21:42-46

  
- IV. The danger of mocking Jesus – a warning
  - The Third Commandment Ex 20:7
  - Vainly using God’s name always brings judgment
  - Israel is not held guiltless Mt 23:38; 24:2
  - We shall not be held guiltless if we profane God’s Name
    - Do not, with your actions, despise the cross
    - Do not despise those for whom Jesus died
  - I Cor 11:27-34