

## Sunday Connection Luke 23

### Summary

Alex looked at the death of Jesus in Luke 23:44-49. Specifically that **God was angry, Jesus was punished, and we can be accepted** from verses 44-46. Darkness in the day is a constant sign of God's rightful anger. That anger is poured onto Jesus as he dies. But the outcome of that is that God's presence into the world is released as the barrier temple curtain tears in two. Alex used the analogy of the book of your life to demonstrate how we are declared free of anger rightfully earned by us because Jesus accepts it himself.

### These questions might help facilitate discussions.

1. What was your first reflection as you listened to this teaching? What encouraged you and what challenged you?
2. How does the reality of God's rightful anger influence how you think?
3. What would it mean if God was not rightfully angry at wrong in the world? What does it mean that he is?
4. How might you explain the reality of God's rightful anger to a non Christian?
5. There are a number of reactions of different people to Jesus's death. Read through them and discuss whether you see these same reactions to Jesus' crucifixion today?
  - Herod in 23:8
  - The chief priest and the soldiers in 23:10-11
  - Pilate in 23:18-25
  - The two criminals in 23:39-43
  - The centurion in 23:47