

Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.
March 24, 2024

The Saying

Luke 23:44-46

- Noon – 3 pm:
 - Darkness came over the land. (Matthew 27:45)
 - The curtain in the temple was torn in two. (see Matthew 27:51)
- Jesus called out (in a loud voice!):
 - “Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.” (see Psalm 31:5)
- Jesus laid down his life.
 - When he said this, he breathed his last.

The Response

Luke 23:47-49

- The Centurion: “This was a righteous man.”
- The Crowd: Walked away mourning.
- The disciples (& women!): No stated response was recorded by Luke.

Significance:

- Jesus and the Father
 - John 5:36 – the very work the Father has given me to finish...
 - John 6:38 – Jesus came to do the will of the Father
 - John 17:4- “I have brought glory to you by completing the work you gave me to do.”
- Complete Trust in the Father
 - Luke 22:42 – “... take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done.”
 - Matthew 27:42-43 – “He trusts in God. Let God rescue him now...”
- Jesus willingly laid down his life.
 - John 10:17-18: Jesus was willing to lay down his life for us.
 - John 15:13: What was his motive? Love.

Keys:

- Jesus trusted the Father even in the midst of suffering and death.

Application:

- Are you living in a “Good Friday” moment? Trust God!

The sixth word of the Cross: Trust.