



Does the Cross of Christ Affect You?

Matthew 27:31, 35-36

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Introduction: No matter what age, race, or occupation we are, the cross of Christ confronts all of us! There are various responses to Christ crucified on the cross. Some flat out reject it. Others bow the knee and accept it. Then there are those who are so close to it yet, neglect it. They know what the cross means, but remain unaffected by it. But what is the cross to you? Does it affect you? Has it changed you? The Holy Spirit preserved in our text for us a soul checker to see if we've been moved or not. It is the account of the Roman soldiers who sat underneath the shadow of the cross gambling and watching Jesus die. Let us look into the mirror of the Word to see three questions to determine whether the cross has changed us or not.

I. Are You Reckless with Redemption? (vs. 31)

A. You can be near Jesus yet be so far away

B. You can know all the facts and pretend to believe



II. Are You Occupied With Outward Things? (vs. 35)

A. You may want the benefits of Christ, but not Him

B. You may want the clothes of Christ but, not Him

III. Are You Careless With the Clothes of Christ? (vs. 36)

A. You have been provided with the clothes of Christ

B. What will you do with them?

Conclusion:

