

The Last Words of Jesus

“I Thirst & Woman Behold Your Son”

(John 19:26-28)

- Introduction:
1. We have been examining the last words of Jesus.
 2. Last words are usually significant, so we wish to examine the last words spoken by our Lord before his death.
 3. We are going to combine two of his statements in this lesson.

I. I Thirst

- A. (John 19:28).
- B. This statement calls to our mind the mystery of the incarnation.
 1. Jesus was fully man.
 2. Jesus was fully divine
- C. (John 1:1-3;14).
- D. (Colossians 2:9).
- E. (Luke 2:52).
- F. (Hebrews 5:8).
- G. How God can “learn,” “grow,” and “increase” is beyond my ability to explain, but I do not doubt it.
- H. But notice how Jesus used his deity?
 1. He has hung on the cross for six hours.
 2. He becomes thirsty.
 3. He has the power to quench his own thirst, but he does not use his powers to his own advantage.
 4. (Hebrews 4:15).

II. Woman, Behold Your Son; Behold Your Mother

- A. (John 19:26-27).
- B. In his death, Jesus was not self-absorbed, but his thoughts were upon others.
- C. Can you imagine just how difficult this must have been for Mary.
- D. Keep in mind that Jesus didn't wait until his dying breath to express his concerns for his family.
 1. He lived and died in service to his Father, never leaving any doubt where he stood (Luke 2:49).
- E. Do our lives demonstrate the same concern for our families?
- F. (1 Timothy 5:8)

- Conclusion:
1. In these two expressions, our thinking is brought to focus upon his humanity as well as his love for his family.
 2. Consequently, we should feel more indebted to Jesus for what he suffered, and challenged to a greater degree to provide for the needs of our family.