# **JESUS' PIT OF DESPAIR**

Jesus was fully God <u>AND</u> fully man. This cannot be explained. However, we can draw conclusions from it:

The humanness of Jesus means that he felt pain, disappointment, despair, etc., just as we do.

The divineness of Jesus means that he was the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world (Rev. 13:8) and, although he could call down "...12 legions of angels" to help him...(Mat. 26:53) he did not because it was for this "reason he came into the world" (Jn. 18:37).

Timeline from betrayal to crucifixion

Abandoned by his friends and followers: Luke 23:49

Jesus' last words on the cross:

# THE FIRST WORD

"Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do." Luke 23:34

# THE SECOND WORD

"Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Luke 23:43

# THE THIRD WORD

"Jesus said to his mother: "Woman, this is your son."
Then he said to the disciple: "This is your mother."
John 19:26-27

#### THE FOURTH WORD

"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"
Matthew 27:46 and Mark 15:34

#### THE FIFTH WORD

"I thirst." John 19:28

#### THE SIXTH WORD

When Jesus had received the wine, he said, "It is finished;" and he bowed his head and handed over the spirit.

John 19:30

#### THE SEVENTH WORD

Jesus cried out in a loud voice,
"Father, into your hands I commend my spirit."

Luke 23:46