## STATEMENTS FROM THE CROSS

Lesson #7 -I Comment My Spirit Scripture Reading: Luke 23:44-49

### Introduction:

- 1. This statement is from Psalms 31:5
- 2. Jesus committed His Spirit into the hands of the Father.
- 3. In doing so, Jesus accomplished the following:

### I. HE LAID DOWN HIS LIFE FOR US

- A. NO ONE TOOK HIS LIFE FROM HIM -Jn 10:18
  - 1. They tried at His birth -Mt 2:1-ff
  - 2. They tried in His home of Nazareth -Lk 4:16-30
  - 3. They tried to stone Him -Jn 8:59, 10:31-39

### B. HE LAID DOWN HIS LIFE WILLINGLY

- 1. Jesus is the good shepherd who lays down His life for His sheep -Jn 10:11
- 2. In Gethsemane -Lk 22:42
- 3. As Isaiah describes Him -Is 53:7

### II. HE PAID THE RANSOM FOR US -Mt 20:28

- A. WE WERE LOST IN SIN; A DEBT WE COULD NOT PAY -Mt 18:24
  - 1. Sin separates man from God -Is 59:1, 2
  - 2. We have nothing on own -Ps 50:10, Hab 2:8, He 10:4

### B. THE RANSOM JESUS PAID

- 1. He is the propitiation for our sins -1Jn 2:1, 2
- 2. We are saved from wrath through Him -Ro 5:5-9

# III. OUR RESPONSE TO JESUS

- A. LOVE
  - 1. We love Him for He first loved us -1Jn 4:19
  - 2. His love for us draws us to Him -Jn 12:32

### B. OBEDIENCE

- 1. If we love Him, we keep His commandments -Jn 14:15
- 2. His commandments are not burdensome -1Jn 5:4
- 3. This obedience is coming to salvation and living the Christian life.

#### Conclusion:

- 1. After we have obeyed the steps of salvation and have been faithful in service to God, we know that we have a home in heaven to be with God forever.
- 2. When life gets out of focus, may we take the time to recenter upon the cross of Jesus!