## Understanding Easter Luke 18:31-34

God has Paid US the <u>Ultimate</u> <u>Compliment</u>...He <u>Allows</u> us to Make our <u>Own Decisions</u> & Call our <u>Own Shots</u>.

When God <u>Created</u> us in His <u>Own</u> <u>image</u>, one <u>Trait</u> He gave us was the ability to <u>Understand</u>, to <u>Reason</u> & to Make <u>Choices</u>.

WHAT could be MORE CLEAR than THAT? (vv.32-33)

- 1. WHY DIDN'T <u>THEY</u> UNDERSTAND? (v.34)
- What was the <u>Matter</u> with these <u>GUYS</u>?
- One <u>Answer</u> is, we all <u>Look Back</u> wish we <u>knew THEN</u> what we <u>know NOW.</u>
- **Most Times** we have to **Learn the HARD WAY**. (Genesis 3:14-24)
- Another <u>Answer</u> is, had the Lord of Glory had NOT been <u>Crucified</u>, there would <u>NO HOPE</u> for Me & You. (1 Corinthians 2:8)
- Satan did Exactly what God Expected him to do.

## 2. DO YOU REALLY UNDERSTAND?

- What about <u>US</u>, <u>TODAY?</u> (1 Corinthians 1:18)
- This "Cross," "Dying," & "Shed Blood" Business seems Foolish.
- Then one day, the Holy Spirit <u>SPEAKS</u> to our hearts & we <u>REALIZE</u> "This Message" is for <u>US Personally</u>.
- It's God's Power that <u>Changes</u> us, <u>Transforms</u> us, <u>Makes</u> us new & <u>Gives</u> us <u>Victory</u>.
- The <u>Victory</u> has been WON...<u>UNDERSTAND</u> that & <u>NEVER</u> let that GO!

## 3. SOME THINGS WE'LL <u>NEVER</u> UNDERSTAND THIS SIDE OF HEAVEN.

- We'll Never Fully Understand the SUFFERING Jesus Experienced for US.
- Jesus Died for EVERY sin that's EVER been Committed.
- There are many things we will Never Understand...HERE.
- One of these Days...It will be "<u>OUR</u>" Resurrection Day & ALL these <u>Mysteries</u> & Unanswered Questions will be Made Clear.
- Right now, ALL THAT <u>Matters</u> is that you <u>Believe</u> & <u>Trust</u> that Jesus <u>Died</u> & <u>Rose</u> again for You & Me. (1 Corinthians 15:1-4)