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Mark's time indicators

Trial before Pilate	<i>Early in the morning (v1)</i>	6 AM?
Crucifixion	<i>Third hour (v25)</i>	9 AM
Darkness	<i>Sixth hour (v33)</i>	Noon
Cry and death	<i>Ninth hour (v34)</i>	3 PM
Burial	<i>As evening approached (v42)</i>	6 PM?

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- The sign of judgment
- The silence of scripture
- The suffering of Jesus

2-A Piercing Cry (34-36)

- Receiving God's judgment
- Declaring His innocence

3-A Victorious Death (37-38)

- Triumphant cry (37)
- Tearing of the curtain—He opens a new way to God (38)

4-Declaration of Faith (39)

- God opens a pagan's eyes
- A glorious confession about Jesus
- A picture of Christian conversion

In the story of Jesus' death on the cross, we see...

1. The seriousness of sin
2. The wonder of God's love
3. The paradox of God's glory
4. The presence of hope...even in the hardest things
5. Our motivation for faithful endurance