

7. Read Matthew 27:41-43 and Matthew 27:46. How would you feel?

8. Read John 19:28&30. How and why did Christ stick with His decision?

9. Read Hebrews 12:2. What was the joy that helped Christ in His decision?

## I Have Decided

I. Decisions are foundational to life.

Decide: to make up ones mind.

\* The fullness of your life will be determined by your decisions.

II. Decisions are determined by cost and reward.

(Luke 14:28&29)

\* The question..."is do I have enough sticking power?"

(Luke 14:26&27)

III. Decisions will be tested by distractions.

A. The greed of Annas. (John 18:12&13)

B. The corruption of Caiaphas. (John 18:14)

C. The denial of Peter. (John 18:17)

D. The abusive power of the courts. (Luke 22:66)

E. The ambition of Pilate. (John 18:28&29)

F. The callousness of Herod. (Luke 23:7)

G. The hatred of the crowd. (John 18:40, 19:1-6)

H. The mockery of the religious leaders. (Matthew 27:41-43)

I. The forsakenness of the Father. (Matthew 27:46)

\*Christ never became distracted because of His love for us.

(John 19:28-30)

This week join us as we pray for the country of **Brazil**.



## FOOD FOR THOUGHT

For the week of June 7, 2009

(Questions and Scriptures for further study)

1. How many decisions do you make in an average day? How many are what you would categorize as highly important?

2. What were the top two decisions you made this past week? Past year? How did you determine those decisions?

3. Read Luke 14:28&29. Would you agree that decisions are determined by cost and reward? As a believer, the cost and reward is based upon God's choice.

4. Do you have sticking power to stay with your decision? Read Luke 14:26&27. Would you agree that sticking power is a sacrifice of denial to something including ourselves many times?

5. Have you ever made a decision but not followed through? What caused you not to follow through? Many times we don't follow through due to distractions. A distraction can be good or bad but distracts us from the main thing.

6. Read John 18 & 19. Jesus had made a choice to go to the cross because He thought we were worth it. List the distractions that he endured. Which ones do you think were the most difficult. ?