## The Suffering Savior Ray Stedman

I. Introduction.
A. Text: Psalm 22.
B. The Psalm predicts Jesus' death and resurrection from the dead.
C. It is remarkable that Jesus could fulfill all elements that the Psalm predicts.
II. The sufferings of an unknown sufferer.
A. This gives the full range of Jesus' suffering on the cross.
B. Jesus uttered the words of this Psalm on the cross.
C. At the cross, Jesus was abandoned by the Father.
1. Though He was God, Jesus was treated like a criminal on our behalf.
2. The passage has a remarkable description of crucifixion.
III. The claiming of victory by the sufferer.
A. The resurrection is the ground for Christian worship.
B. Out of Jesus' resurrected power, He will give the believer everything he needs with regard to life and godliness.
C. Deliverance would be proclaimed to a people yet unborn that the work of salvation is finished.
Application questions:
1. How is the remarkable prediction of Psalm 22 valuable for evangelism? Explain.
2. Why was Jesus abandoned by the Father at the cross?
3. What is Jesus' resurrection? How can it be said that this supplies all one needs for life?