

OPEN DOOR CHURCHES OF SALEM-KEIZER

Lenten Group Study Opportunity

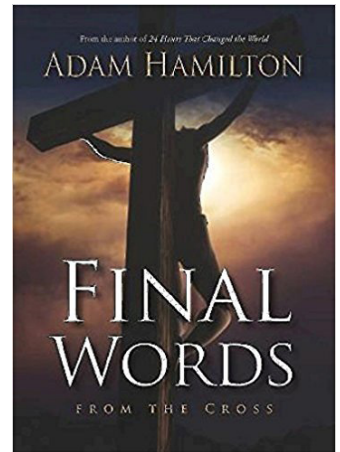
This Lent, you are invited to join with others to reflect on Jesus' final words in a study group. The focus for the group will be to explore what those seven words from the cross meant in the context of Jesus' experience and what they might mean for us today in the context of our real life and faith journeys.

Using Adam Hamilton's book, *Final Words from the Cross*, you and other group participants will be invited to reflect on those words, one each week, over a 7-week period, starting the week of February 12th. There will be a short video presentation to start the group process each week followed by time for group sharing. Each session will run about an hour. The \$18 requested donation covers the cost of the book and the DVD.

The crucifixion and death of Jesus on that fateful Good Friday 2,000+ years ago is a profound and pivotal event in the Christian faith. Despite the serious effort and increased pain required for Jesus to speak as he hung on the cross, Jesus spoke seven "final words"—statements that have much to teach us about Jesus, his relationship with God, and ourselves: Father Forgive Them; Today You Will Be with Me in Paradise; Behold Your Son...Behold Your Mother; My God, My God, Why Have You Forsaken Me?; I Thirst; and It Is Finished . . . Into Your Hands I Commit My Spirit.

On the back of this sheet are listed the 7 different days, times, and places this study will be offered. Simply mark the day, time, and place that works best with your weekly schedule. Please be sure to register no later than Monday, February 5th so that we can order enough material for everyone.

In life and in death, Jesus' words were powerful and meaningful. Please prayerfully consider joining a group study this Lent to look at the final words from the cross!



FINAL WORDS FROM THE CROSS

Registration Form

Below are listed the various days, times, and places the study will be offered. We need at least 7 people signed up for a specific day, time, and place for a group to form. Thus, you are asked to select all of the options that work for you. Simply put a "1" by your top choice, a "2" by your second choice, etc. The more options you sign up for, the greater the possibility of being part of a group. Once you've filled out the form, please simply put it in the offering plate next week during worship, or drop it by your church office.

Group Study Time/Place Options

- _____ Sunday, 8:30 a.m. — Keizer/Clear Lake
- _____ Tuesday, 1:00 p.m. — Keizer/Clear Lake
- _____ Tuesday, 2:30 p.m. — Morningside
- _____ Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. — First UMC
- _____ Wednesday, 2:30 p.m. — Trinity
- _____ Thursday, 10:30 a.m. — Englewood
- _____ Thursday, 7:00 p.m. — Salem First UMC

Name _____

Phone _____

E-mail address _____

Mailing address _____