



RELIABILITY OF THE BIBLE

LESSON 1: Lost In Translation

ANCHOR STATEMENT: The translation of the Scripture into different languages is difficult, but it is a key part of living out what God has called us to do: dispersing throughout the Earth and filling it with His Gospel.

MAIN PASSAGE: Mark 15:33-37

33 At noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. 34 And at three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, “Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?” (which means “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”).

35 When some of those standing near heard this, they said, “Listen, he’s calling Elijah.”

36 Someone ran, filled a sponge with wine vinegar, put it on a staff, and offered it to Jesus to drink. “Now leave him alone. Let’s see if Elijah comes to take him down,” he said.

37 With a loud cry, Jesus breathed his last.

WHAT WE WANT STUDENTS TO KNOW: That while the Bible is an ancient text, not written in English and not written in our current context, it remains trustworthy and profitable for our lives.

WHAT WE WANT STUDENTS TO DO WITH WHAT THEY’VE LEARNED: Be able to read, understand, and enjoy God’s Word for themselves with a right understanding of its origins and what that means for how they should engage it today.