"Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

Jesus desired our Salvation. He THIRSTED for our redemption, our love.

These words, the first words Jesus spoke upon the Cross, were not just for the soldiers who nailed Him to the Cross - They were for

us, for me and you, whose sins He was to bear...



At the foot of the Cross stood John, the only disciple who had not fled, and right beside him, Mary, Jesus's Mother. Looking down, Jesus said "Woman, behold your son." And then to John He said, "Behold your Mother."

Even in His agony,
our Lord was
thinking about His
Mother, and
providing for Her
care.



At the sixth hour the sun was darkened, and darkness was over all the land; then Jesus cried out in a loud voice

"My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?"

psalm 22

Our Lord had taken our sins, and their penalty, upon Himself. At the very end, when His suffering was greatest, His Father took all of our sins, the sins of the whole world, and placed them upon His Son, and turned His face away ...



I thirst.

It is accomplished.

Father, into your hands, I commend my spirit.