The Expected Response

"And Jesus cried again with a loud voice, and yielded up his spirit."

Now it is over. No more agony or pain. No more suffering for the Son of God who has been put to death by cruel men. He has been tried by human courts; he has been unjustly sentenced by fallible men. He has been tortured and mocked by evil and foolish men. The agony and pain He suffered, was for the benefit of those who had committed crimes against Him and for the sins of every single soul that has lived since Adam.

Although he was God, Jesus lived, loved, suffered, and died as a man. Although He was sinless, He died for sinful men so that we might embrace a valid hope of eternal life.

How does God expect us to respond to the sacrifice of His Son on our behalf? Consider, <u>Romans</u> 12:1-2 - "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God" (NKJV).

Won't you return your life to God as a living sacrifice to His glory?

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