

# SEVEN

THE 7 STATEMENTS OF JESUS FROM THE CROSS

## **INTO THE BIBLE**

*"Keep your eyes on Jesus, who both began and finished this race we're in. Study how he did it. Because he never lost sight of where he was headed—that exhilarating finish in and with God—he could put up with anything along the way: Cross, shame, whatever. And now he's there, in the place of honor, right alongside God."*

### **Hebrews 12:2 MSG**

*"Then Pilate said to him, 'so you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'you say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world...'"*

### **John 18:37 ESV**

*"One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, 'Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!'"*

### **Luke 23:39 ESV**

*"For people who are stumbling toward ruin, the message of the cross is nothing but a tall tale for fools by a fool. But for those of us who are already experiencing the reality of being rescued and made right, it is nothing short of God's power."*

### **1 Corinthians 1:18 VOICE**

*"And he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' And he said to him, 'Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'"*

### **Luke 23:42-43 ESV**

*"...when the time was right, I listened to you; and that day you were delivered, I was your help. Look, now the time is right! See, your day of deliverance is here!"*

### **2 Corinthians 6:2 VOICE**



# **SERMON TAKEAWAYS**

Today, You Will Be With Me In Paradise

## 2 TYPES OF CRIMINALS

### **1. Demanding Criminal**

**- Forgiveness Is A Foreign Concept To A Sinful Heart**

### **2. Desperate Criminal**

**- Good People Don't Go To Heaven, Forgiven People Go To Heaven**

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## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

*1. On a scale of 1-100, how would you rate yourself as a person? What would you change if you could?*

*2. In what ways do you feel you have more going for you than most? In what ways do you feel inadequate compared to others?*

*3. How are we all like the two thieves on the cross?*

*4. Describe your experience when you called out to God for forgiveness and accepted Christ as your Savior.*

*5. Has your perspective of Jesus' death and crucifixion changed after what you learned on Sunday? See John 19 for what happened to Jesus before He made it to the cross.*

## **PRAYER FOCUS**

*Jesus chose the cross for you and I. He endured public humiliation, mockery and was nearly beaten to death. This week, thank Jesus for the sacrifice that he made for you.*

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

***Why Am I Here? What Is My Purpose?*** If you've ever asked yourself questions like these, then THE WEEKENDER is for you! At The Weekender, we will share with you all our church has to offer to help you know God, find freedom and embrace your purpose. You will understand your calling and identify your spiritual gifts so that you can make a difference! The world needs you to be who God made you to be! The Weekender happens the last Friday and Saturday each month. For more information or to sign up, visit the Rescue House app or <https://www.rescuehousechurch.org/the-weekender/>