#### Luke 23

- 42 Then he said to Jesus, "Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom."
- 43 And Jesus said to him, "Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise."





# Above the MIDDLE Cross... could have been written...

### Redemption Through Faith

- And when they had come to the place called Calvary, there they crucified Him, and the criminals, one on the right hand and the other on the left.
- Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do." And they divided His garments and cast lots.



# Above the MIDDLE Cross... could have been written...

### Redemption Through Faith

1 Peter 2:24

who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose stripes you were healed.



# Above the <u>MIDDLE</u> Cross... could have been written...

### Redemption Through Faith

1 Peter 3:18

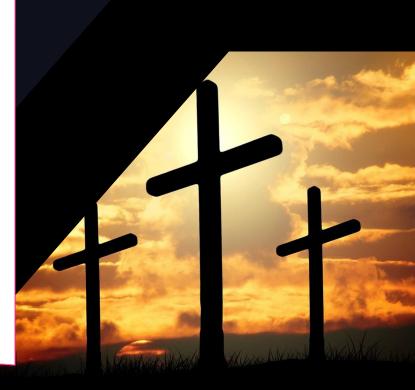
For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit,



## Above the cross <u>ON ONE SIDE</u>, could have been written...

#### Rejection of Faith

- 32 There were **also two others, criminals**, led with Him to be put to death.
- 33 And when they had come to he place called Calvary, there they crucified Him, and the criminals, one on the right hand and the other on the left.
- 35 And the people stood looking on. But even the rulers with them sneered, saying, "He saved others; let Him save Himself if He is the Christ, the chosen of God."



# Above the cross <u>ON ONE SIDE</u>, could have been written...

#### Rejection of Faith

- 36 The soldiers also mocked Him, coming and offering Him sour wine,."
- and saying, "If You are the King of the Jews, save Yourself."
- And an inscription also was written over Him in letters of Greek, Latin, and Hebrew: THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS
- Then one of the criminals who were hanged blasphemed Him, saying, "If You are the Christ, save Yourself and us.".



# Above the cross <u>ON THE OTHER SIDE</u>, could have been written...

### Reception of Faith

- But the other, answering, rebuked him, saying, "Do you not even fear God, seeing you are under the same condemnation?
- And we indeed justly, for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has done nothing wrong."
- Then he said to Jesus, "Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom."
- And Jesus said to him, "Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise."



#### Faith on The Cross

- 1. Redemption through Faith
- 2. Rejection of Faith
- 3. Reception of Faith



## Challenge

Jesus made our redemption, our freedom from sin, possible through faith in His blood.

As you prepare to partake of the Lord's Supper, are you sure you have received Jesus as the thief on the 3<sup>rd</sup> cross did



