



Part 1 - I Deserve Death, But He Gave Me Life!

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We Are All One Of Two Thieves

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Thief #2 deserved DEATH, but Jesus gave him LIFE!

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He does not punish us for all our sins; he does not deal harshly with us, as we deserve. 11 For his unfailing love toward those who fear him is as great as the height of the heavens above the earth. 12 He has removed our sins as far from us as the east is from the west.” - Psalm 103:10-12 NLT

“For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God’s glorious standard.” - Romans 3:23 NLT

*For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord.
- Romans 6:23 NLT*

“All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is by his great mercy that we have been born again, because God raised Jesus Christ from the dead. Now we live with great expectation.” - 1 Peter 1:3 NLT

TALK IT OVER

- Tell your best "getting caught" story that wasn't so funny when it happened.
- Talk about the moment you first realized your need for Jesus.
- In what ways do you live like the first thief, as if you don't need a savior? Ask Jesus to bring His life to these areas

Suggested Reading Plan: [How to Get What You Don't Deserve](#)

Announcements:

- **Sunday Service @ 10 AM.** Nursery is available for children up to age 4, and KidZone for ages 5-11.
- **Girl's Ministry** for grades K-6 Tuesdays 5:30-6:30 PM. See Sharee Haromontelongo for more info.
- **Finish Line Youth** for ages 12-12th grade Fridays 7- 8:30 PM. See Pastor James for more info.
- **Compassion Sunday April 30 @ 10 AM!** Join us for a special service to learn about the power of child sponsorship through Compassion International, a Christian child development ministry aimed at releasing children from spiritual, economic, social and physical poverty in Jesus' name.

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