

Luke's Gospel: Wait, who is on trial?

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Text: Luke 22:63-23:43

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Jesus is wielding his power and authority in a very strange way. (Luke 22:63-71)

Even evil rulers can see that Jesus doesn't deserve death, but this is why He came. (Luke 23:1-16)

A murderer goes free, the Messiah goes to the cross. (Luke 23:18-25)

Jesus is on his way to die, yet He still shows love. (Luke 23:26-38)

Who deserves the cross? We do. (Luke 23:39-43)

What does Jesus offer? Eternal life.

Food for Thought for the week of December 5, 2021

(Questions and Scriptures for further study and discussion.)

Who do you identify with in this story? Why?

Jesus said that he was the only one with authority to lay down His life, no one could take it from Him. How do you see that play out in this passage?

Why is it important to understand that we deserve the punishment Jesus received? How does that change the way we see God?

How does seeing Jesus forgive those who are killing him and love the thief on the cross impact you?

Memory Verse:

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