

## **Sermon Summary**

Luke 23 captures an important moment during the crucifixion of Jesus, featuring a conversation between Jesus and two criminals who were also being crucified alongside him. In this passage, one of the criminals' mocks Jesus and questions why he doesn't save himself if he truly is the Messiah. However, the other criminal rebukes his companion, acknowledging their guilt and recognizing Jesus as innocent. He then turns to Jesus, expressing faith and humility, saying, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." Pastor Nathan breaks down both viewpoints from each criminal and shows us how Jesus is always ready to receive us when we are genuinely repentant.

Key Passage: Luke 23:39-43

## **Questions for Reflection and Discussion**

## <u>Grow</u>

What do you think motivated the criminal to mock Jesus initially?

Compare and contrast the attitudes of the two criminals on the crosses. How do their responses reveal their perspectives on Jesus?

Why do you think the repentant criminal asked Jesus to remember him when he comes into his kingdom?

## <u>Go</u>

Discuss the idea of redemption and how it is portrayed in this passage.

In what ways can we apply the themes of repentance, humility, and faith in our daily lives?

Can you relate to times when you may have doubted or mocked God in difficult situations?