

“Get Right or Get Left”

Sermon Notes:

1. You must believe that He is the Christ.
2. You must receive Him as the Christ.
3. You must cleave and follow the Christ.

Luke 23:33-43 *New Living Translation*

33 When they came to a place called The Skull,^[a] they nailed him to the cross. And the criminals were also crucified—one on his right and one on his left.

34 Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they don’t know what they are doing.”^[b] And the soldiers gambled for his clothes by throwing dice.^[c]

35 The crowd watched and the leaders scoffed. “He saved others,” they said, “let him save himself if he is really God’s Messiah, the Chosen One.” 36 The soldiers mocked him, too, by offering him a drink of sour wine. 37 They called out to him, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” 38 A sign was fastened above him with these words: “This is the King of the Jews.”

39 One of the criminals hanging beside him scoffed, “So you’re the Messiah, are you? Prove it by saving yourself—and us, too, while you’re at it!”

40 But the other criminal protested, “Don’t you fear God even when you have been sentenced to die?

41 We deserve to die for our crimes, but this man hasn’t done anything wrong.” 42 Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom.”

43 And Jesus replied, “I assure you, today you will be with me in paradise.”

Footnotes:

1. [23:33](#) Sometimes rendered *Calvary*, which comes from the Latin word for “skull.”
2. [23:34a](#) This sentence is not included in many ancient manuscripts.
3. [23:34b](#) Greek by *casting lots*. See [Ps 22:18](#).

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