## From the Pain of the Cross to the Promise of Paradise

Jesus' Last Convert Luke 23:32-43

#### THE THIEVES BEFORE CONVICTION

"And they that were crucified with him reviled him."

Mark 15:32b

#### ONE THIEF IS CONVICTED

"And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on him, saying, If thou be Christ, save thyself and us. But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation?"

Luke 23:39-40

### ONE THIEF REALIZES WHO JESUS IS AND CONFESSES HIS SIN

"And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds: but this man hath done nothing amiss."

Luke 23:41

# ONE THIEF TAKES A STEP OF FAITH AND ASKS JESUS FOR SALVATION

"And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom."

Luke 23:42

"For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him."

2 Corinthians 5:21

"By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all ... For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified."

Hebrews 10:10 & 14

### JESUS ANSWERS THE THIEF'S PRAYER OF FAITH

"And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, Today shalt thou be with me in paradise."

Luke 23:43

"But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."

Romans 5:8