

# SEVEN WORDS — FROM THE — CROSS

## SALVATION

“Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise.” Luke 23:43

### A TALE OF TWO CRIMINALS

#### I. On the one side, REJECTION: Many \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus.

*One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, “Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!” Luke 23:39*

##### THE PATHWAYS OF PERDITION

- The passive watch (Lk 23:35a)
- The self-righteous sneer (Lk 23: 35b)
- The ignorant mock (Lk 23:36-37)
- The selfish disregard (Lk 23:39)

REJECTION

#### II. On the other side, REPENTANCE: Some \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus.

*But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.” And he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” Luke 23:40-42*

##### THE PATH OF SALVATION

- Rebuke sin (Lk 23:40)
- Recognize truth (Lk 23:41)
- Request of Jesus (Lk 23:42)

REPENTANCE!

#### III. In the middle, REDEMPTION: Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ those who trust Him.

*And he said to him, “Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise.” Luke 23:43*

##### THE FUTURE OF THE SAVED

*A promise of Paradise  
in the presence of Jesus*

WORDS TO LIVE BY

“A Tale of Two Criminals” is both a scene of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

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## HOME GROUP STUDY

1. Do you agree that only two choices exist for every person? Why or why not? What other options do people attempt to create, and why don't they work?

2. Many say that Christianity is narrow and exclusive in the negative sense. Why would people make this claim? What do they misunderstand about the path of salvation?

3. In the PATHWAYS TO PERDITION box on the sermon notes, how do these different reactions play out in real life? Which of these have you personally shown in your own life, and how did that change later?

4. Read Ephesians 2:8-9. Why is it so difficult for us to trust in and live out what God is telling us in these verses?

5. Read the following Scriptures aloud and comment on how each comforts you in regard to what happens to the follower of Christ after physical death.

John 14:1-3

1 Corinthians 2:9

Revelation 2:7

6. What amazed you most about this scene in Scripture? In what way did the message help you better understand Jesus? How will this affect your daily life?

## COMING UP AT CHRIST CHAPEL

*Here's a glimpse at what you need to know for this week. Like to plan ahead a little more? Pick up a copy of The Source at a stand around campus or near the exits, or visit [www.ccbcfamily.org/events](http://www.ccbcfamily.org/events). They're your source for everything going on at Christ Chapel.*

**TAKE YOUR NEXT STEP AND SERVE.** If you've been connected at Christ Chapel for a while, take your next step and find a place to serve! There are lots of ways to get involved at our church and in our local community. Text "CCBCServe" to 555-888 for a few ideas now.

**INVITE SOMEONE TO THIS FRIDAY'S CCBC POPS ORCHESTRA CONCERT!** Looking for the best show in town? This Friday, Feb. 21, our own CCBC Pops Orchestra is performing famous Western scores in a musical roundup called "Saddle Up!" There will be a campfire sing-along, movie clips, a fun photo op and more. Invite friends and coworkers to mosey on over and join you at the show, which starts at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Visit [www.ccbcfamily.org/events](http://www.ccbcfamily.org/events) for more information.

**REGISTER FOR THIS SATURDAY'S RENOVATE POINT 5K.** Yes, you read that correctly—this is a one-half kilometer race! Christ Chapel College and Renovate ministries are heading to Belize this year on mission trips. By registering and running, you'll help support young adults raising funds for these gospel-sharing trips. There will be coffee, breakfast tacos and even a pet race—all signs that you should hurry and register at [www.ccbcfamily.org/events](http://www.ccbcfamily.org/events). The Renovate Point 5K will begin at 9:30 a.m. in The Den.

**GET YOUR BEAST FEAST TICKETS TODAY.** Calling all hunters, fishermen/women and outdoor enthusiasts! On Saturday, Feb. 29, we're putting on a spectacular Beast Feast event for you and your outdoor-loving friends. There will be a huge wild game dinner to feast on, live music, stories of epic hunts and amazing prizes, including a four-wheeler, Bison cooler and Rough Creek Lodge package. Buy your tickets at [www.ccbcfamily.org/events](http://www.ccbcfamily.org/events) for \$10 each. Who do you know that needs to hear about Christ's love for them? Buy them a ticket and invite them this week!

**SAVE FRIDAY, FEB. 28 FOR "LIFT MY EYES: SONGS, STORIES AND A NIGHT OF WORSHIP."** We're kicking off Art Reach, a weekend all about celebrating the arts and creativity, with a special night of music! Join Christ Chapel's contemporary worship leaders, and be the first to hear their new album. They'll be sharing the stories and inspiration behind the album, and we'll have a chance to worship as one big CCBC family. Join us Friday, Feb. 28 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

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