

## Key Scriptures

Good does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our wrongs.

**Psalms 103:10**

For the person who keeps all the laws except one is as guilty as a person who has broken all of God's laws.

**James 2:10**

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus.

**Romans 6:23**

<sup>32</sup>Two others, both criminals, were led out to be executed with Him.

-one on His right and one on His left.

**Luke 23:32-33**

<sup>39</sup>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!"

<sup>40</sup>But the other criminal protested, "Don't you fear God even when you have been sentenced to die? <sup>41</sup>We deserve to die for our crimes, but this man hasn't done anything wrong."

<sup>43</sup>And Jesus replied, "I assure you, today you will be with me in paradise."

**Luke 23:39-43**

## Key Concepts

### I deserve that.

- **Being good doesn't mean you go to heaven.**
- **Being forgiven does.**
- **Turning to Jesus and repenting from my sin moves me from death to life.**
- **Because of Jesus, we don't get what we deserve....and that's a good thing!**

## Talk About It

- Why is it easy to settle into the mindset that we deserve something?
- Why is it easy for some Christians to think things like:
  - I've been a Christian longer than you, so I deserve it more than you.
  - I haven't sinned as much as them, I deserve this more than them.
- How can I change my perspective from: I deserve \_\_\_\_\_ to being grateful for all that Jesus has given me that I don't deserve.
- Where have I taken what Jesus did for me for granted?
  - How is that effected by thinking I deserve this?
- Being thankful is an antidote for entitlement. What do I need to express more thankfulness for?