



PART 3: The Cross

The cross exemplifies God's ultimate love, revealing His desire for the world to experience His Truth and grace.

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SCRIPTURE

MAIN TEXT → [LUKE 23:32-43](#)

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THINK

- When you think about the question, "What do I have to do to get into heaven?", what "entry requirements" are on your list?
- Jesus constantly modeled his willingness to break down cultural, political, and religious barriers by choosing to sit with people. What makes this challenging? How do you need to be stretched in this area?
- [Luke 23:34](#) → Jesus, hanging on the cross, extends forgiveness to every person who was attacking him and who had turned their back on him. What tension surfaces between Grace & Truth when you think about this moment?
- [Luke 23:42](#) → One of the thieves turned to Jesus and said, "Remember me". And Jesus immediately let him know that he would be with him. What tension surfaces between Grace & Truth when you think about this moment?

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ENGAGE

- **Pursue Truth | Receive Grace** → What areas in your life do you need to stop running from and ignoring? Turn, face God, and actively pursue truth!
- **Pursue Truth | Receive Grace** → What guilt have you been holding onto that you need to release and receive the grace that God has extended to you?
- When you look at the cross, focus on the GRACE & TRUTH that it completely embodies. Focus on the "*because HE...*"

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PRAY

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