

God demonstrates his own love for usin this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Romans 5:8 (NIV)

Christ on the Cross

Luke 23:33-44; John 10:11-18

"Father, forgive them, they don't know what they are doing," prayed Jesus while He was dying on the cross.

Jesus was hurting and bleeding badly. There were cuts and open wounds all over his body. Nails in his hands and feet pinned Him to the cross. Even with all of this, Jesus loved those who were hurting Him. He chose to save others and not just Himself.

On each side of Jesus there was a thief hanging on their own crosses. One of them began to insult Jesus, but the other told him to stop.

"We are getting what we deserve because of all we did," he said. "but Jesus didn't do anything wrong."

"Please, remember me when you come to Your Kingdom," the thief asked Jesus.

"Today, you'll be with me in Paradise," Jesus told the repentant thief.

Jesus died to save everyone who accepts what Jesus did and Who He is.

When Jesus died, something strange happended. Inside the temple in Jerusalem, there was a curtain that separated the Holy of Holies (a special area for God's presence) from the rest of the temple. That curtain ripped open and people could see into this special place. God opened this curtain showing that people didn't need to be separated from Him anymore, because of what Jesus did on the cross.

What did we discover?

1) On the cross, Jesus had for everyone.

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of Jesus was poured out to save us from our sins. 2) The BLOOD SKIN **NAILS**

3) One of the thieves

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4) When Jesus died, the in the temple ripped open.

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Have I thought about why I need a Savior?



I need a Savior.

Jesus did everything that is necessary for my salvation.



Lord. I'm forgiven because of You, Thank You!