

Luke 23:32-33

## How are they different?

The difference is in what they represent.

Luke 23:(32) "Two other men, both criminals, were also led out with him to be executed. (33) When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals-one on his right, the other on his left."

### 1. The Cross of Unbelief/Rebellion

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- apeitheia –
- -rebellion
- -disobedience, and
- stubborness

"Aren't you the Christ? Save yourself and us!"/

Luke 23:39

#### SIN OF UNBELIEF

- Rejecting Christ (John 16:9)
- 2. Rejecting God's Word (Psalm 106:24)
- Rejecting the Gospel (Isaiah 53:1; John 12:38)
- 4 Rejecting the evidence of miracles (John 12:37
- Departing from God (Heb 3:12)
- 6. When we question the power of God (2 Kings 7:2)
- 7. When we do not believe the works of God (Psalm 78:32)

#### TWO DECISIONS:

- ACCEPT JESUS AND CONFESS HIS SINS.
- 2. REJECT JESUS AND DIE IN HIS SINS.

#### IRREVERSIBLE CONSEQUENCES

- Wrath of God (John 3:36)
- 2. Death to sin (John 8:24)
- 3. Shall not enter rest (Heb 3:19; 4:11)
- 4. Shall be destroyed (Jude 1-5)
- 5. Shall be cast into the lake of fire (Revelation 21:8)



# 2. THE CROSS OF REPENTANCE/FOR GIVENESS

"Don't you fear God, since you are under the same sentence? We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong." Luke 23:40-41

"Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." Luke 23:34

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom. Jesus answered him, "I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in paradise." Luke 23:42-43



## 3. THE CROSS OF REDEMPTION/SAL VATION

"But this man has done nothing wrong." Luke 23:41

"O My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as You will." Matthew 26:39

Again, a second time, He went away and prayed, saying, "O My Father, if this cup cannot pass away from Me unless I drink it Your will be done."

Matthew 26:42



Jesus said to his disciples, "I lay down my life that I may take it again. I lay it down on my own accord."

John 10:17-18



<sup>15</sup> When He had disarmed the rulers and authorities [those supernatural forces of evil operating against us], He made a public example of them [exhibiting them as captives in His triumphal procession], having triumphed over them through [a] the cross. Colossians 2:15 (AMP)



There is no other God like you! You forgive sin and pardon the rebellion of those who remain among your people. You do not remain angry forever but delight in showing loyal love. Micah 7:18