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"Father, **forgive** them, for they don't know what they are doing." Luke 23:34a (NLT)

The crowd watched and the leaders **scoffed**. "He saved others," they said, "let him save himself if he is really God's Messiah, the Chosen One." Luke 23:35 (NLT)

<sup>36</sup> The soldiers **mocked** him, too, by offering him a drink of sour wine. <sup>37</sup> They called out to him, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" **Luke 23:36-37 (NLT)** 

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!" Luke 23:39 (NLT)

But the other criminal protested, "Don't you fear God even when you have been sentenced to die? Luke 23:40 (NLT)

From his observation of Jesus he realized:

This man has not drawn conclusions about \_\_\_\_\_ based on the way \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ have treated him.

We deserve to die for our crimes, but this man hasn't done anything wrong." Luke 23:41 (NLT)

If an \_\_\_\_\_ man who suffers like a guilty man can maintain faith in God,

how much more a \_\_\_\_\_ man for whom there is some

justification for his suffering?

"Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom." Luke 23:42 (NLT)

And Jesus replied, "I assure you, today you will be with me in paradise." Luke 23:43 (NLT)

<sup>46</sup> Then Jesus shouted, "Father, I entrust my spirit into your hands!" And with those words he breathed his last. Luke 23:44-46 (NLT)

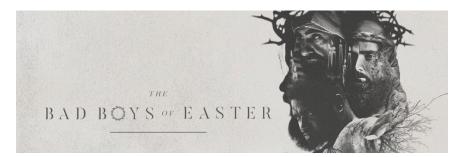
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