

BETWEEN TWO THIEVES

(Luke 23:39-43)

* Matthew 27:24-44

I. THE FIRST THIEF (Luke 23:39)

A. Who was the MAN that hung there?

1. He was a common _____.
2. He was one who was being punished _____ for his crimes.

B. What did this man SAY?

1. He used a rhetorical statement indicating his _____.
2. He _____ the Lord Jesus while they hung on their crosses.

C. What did these words REVEAL about the FIRST thief?

1. They exposed a heart of _____.
2. It revealed a complete _____ of who Jesus really was.

II. THE SECOND THIEF (Luke 23:40-42)

A. Who was the MAN that hung there?

1. He was a common _____.
2. He was one who was being punished _____ for his crimes.

B. What did this man SAY?

1. To the other thief...
 - a. First- a stern rebuke for his lack of _____.
 - b. Second- an acknowledgement of _____ for their own _____.
 - c. Third- a declaration of Jesus' _____.

2. To the Lord Jesus...

a. First- a _____ of who Jesus really was/is, he addressed Him as, “ _____ ”.

b. Second- a display of utter _____ and complete _____.

c. Third- an acknowledgement that Jesus had a _____.

III. THE ONE HANGING BETWEEN TWO THIEVES (Luke 24:43)

A. Who was the MAN that hung there?

1. Jesus was a man, as He _____ experienced the trauma of crucifixion. He bled and He eventually _____.

2. Jesus was also LORD, and He did have the _____ and the power to grant _____ and _____ to the believing thief.

B. What did He SAY?

1. Jesus told Him ... “*Today you will be _____ in _____*”.

2. Jesus had knowledge of the _____ and future events.

3. Jesus had the _____ to the second thief’s prayer.

C. Do you PERSONALLY KNOW the Man between the Two Thieves?

1. Have you acknowledged your own _____ and utter _____, and do you see the complete _____ of Jesus Christ and His work on the cross to pay for _____ of your sin?

2. Are you willing (like the second thief) to place your _____ in the Lord who hung on that cross and personally died for _____?