The Pathway to Paradise Luke 23:32-43 (NASB)

Three Crosses on Golgotha

Cross #1: The Cross of <u>Rejection</u> - This cross is distinguished by the man <u>who died in his win</u>. (v.39) Cross #2: The Cross of Repentance — This cross is distinguished by the man who died to his sin.

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- 1. He did not yield to peer pressure. (v.40)
- 2. He feared God. (v.40)
- 3. He admitted he was wrong. (v.41b)
- 4. He accepted the <u>punishment</u> he <u>deserved</u>. (v.41a)
- 5. He acknowledges the <u>righteousness</u> of <u>Jesus</u>. (v. 41c)
- 6. He acknowledges that <u>Jesus</u> is <u>King</u>. (v.42)
- 7. He asks for mercy. (v.42)

Cross #3: The Cross of Redemption —This Cross is distinguished by the man who died for our sin.

Three Life Applications

- 1. There are only two choices when it comes to Jesus Christ. You can <u>reject</u> Him or you can <u>receive</u> Him.
- 2. We see that while we are alive, it is never too late to turn to Christ.
- 3. God has made salvation simple so that anybody can be saved.