PRACTICAL APPLICATION _____

1. How should the story of Jesus' crucifixion help shape our church fellowship? What does Jesus' example from the cross teach us?

2. Jesus' final words were words of SALVATION. As we think about our lives and even what our final moments on this earth might be like, what do we need to do to ensure that our lives and our words also echo words of SALVATION?

3. How is the example of the second criminal on the cross an encouragement for you personally?

PRAYER REQUESTS _____

MESSAGE NOTES

Inattentional blindness: The surprising failure to notice something

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The Cross of _____

The Cross of _____

The Cross of _____

One man died _____ sin, another died _____ sin, and another died _____ sin.

CONNECT GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

For the week of March 26, 2023
Final Word series

GETTING STARTED_____

1. What is one of the nicest things anyone has ever done for you? Was it a surprise?

2. Have you ever had a chance to repay him or her? Could you if you wanted to?

3. Have you ever witnessed someone being ungrateful for a gift? How did it make you feel?

DIGGING DEEPER_____

1. Read **Luke 23:43**. What do you think of Jesus' prayer in this passage? Why didn't they know what they were doing?

What can we learn from the second criminal's request of Jesus and from Jesus' answer to him?

2. According to **Luke 23:44**, it says darkness consumed the sky. Why do you think darkness covered the land?

In **Luke 23:47**, we see that the centurion also made a profession of faith. What made the centurion praise God?

Why do you think those who knew Jesus "stood at a distance"?

3. For obvious reasons, the followers of Jesus were very fearful. Read the following verses and describe what they say about fear.

- **Joshua 1:9**

- **Psalm 43:4**

- **2 Timothy 1:7**

How can we apply what these verses say about fear when it comes to the challenges we face as believers?