

The men who were guarding Jesus began **mocking** and **beating** him.

They **blindfolded** him and demanded, “Prophecy! Who hit you?” And they said many other **insulting** things to him.

- Luke 22: 63-65

## Matthew 27: 38-41

They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, and then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand. Then they knelt in front of him and mocked him. “Hail, king of the Jews!” they said.

## Matthew 27: 38-41

They spit on him, and took the staff and struck him on the head again and again. After they had mocked him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

# Conditions We Put on Jesus

## Luke 23:35-37

The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is God’s Messiah, the Chosen One.”

The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar and said, “If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.”

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# Galatians 1:6-9

I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting the one who called you to live in the grace of Christ and are **turning to a different gospel**—which is really **no gospel at all**. Evidently, some people are throwing you into confusion and are trying to pervert the gospel of Christ.

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But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach a gospel other than the one we preached to you, let them be under God's curse! As we have already said, so now I say again: If anybody is preaching to you a gospel other than what you accepted, let them be under God's curse!

# The Criminals

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# Luke 23:42

“Then he said, ‘Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.’”

# The Reward

“Truly I tell you, today you will be  
with me in paradise.”

- Luke 23:43

## 2 Corinthians 12:2-4

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## First Heaven – The Sky

“But the land you are crossing the Jordan to take possession of is a land of mountains and valleys that drinks rain from heaven.”

- Deut 11:11

## Second Heaven – Stars/Space

“When I consider your heavens,  
the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars,  
which you have set in place.”

- Psalm 8:3

## Third Heaven – God’s Dwelling Place

“Such a high priest truly meets our need—one who is holy, blameless, pure, set apart from sinners, exalted above the heavens.”

- Hebrews 7:26

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# 1 Corinthians 2:9

However, as it is written:

“What no eye has seen,  
what no ear has heard,  
and what no human mind has  
conceived”—

the things God has prepared for  
those who love him—

Why Repent?

## Colossians 2:14

“Having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross.”

## 2 Corinthians 5:21

“God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.”

## Romans 5:19

“For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.”

# Revelation 22

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.

# Revelation 22

No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever.