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POINT 1: JESUS, THE CRUCIFIED KING, EXTENDS FORGIVENESS TO THE EXECUTIONERS (LUKE 23:32-38).

³² Two others—criminals—were also led away to be executed with him.

³³ When they arrived at the place called The Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals, one on the right and one on the left.

³⁴ Then Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, because they do not know what they are doing.” And they divided his clothes and cast lots. ³⁵ The people stood watching, and even the leaders were scoffing: “He saved others; let him save himself if this is God’s Messiah, the Chosen One!” ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him. They came offering him sour wine ³⁷ and said, “If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself!” ³⁸ An inscription was above him: This Is the King of the Jews.

POINT 2: JESUS, THE CRUCIFIED KING, PROMISES SALVATION TO THE REPENTANT (LUKE 23:39-43).

³⁹ Then one of the criminals hanging there began to yell insults at him: “Aren’t you the Messiah? Save yourself and us!” ⁴⁰ But the other answered, rebuking him: “Don’t you even fear God, since you are undergoing the same punishment? ⁴¹ We are punished justly, because we’re getting back what we deserve for the things we did, but this man has done nothing wrong.” ⁴² Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” ⁴³ And he said to him, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.”

POINT 3: JESUS, THE CRUCIFIED KING, ENTRUSTS HIMSELF TO THE FATHER (LUKE 23:44-49).

⁴⁴ It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three, ⁴⁵ because the sun’s light failed. The curtain of the sanctuary was split down the middle. ⁴⁶ And Jesus called out with a loud voice, “Father, into your hands I entrust my spirit.” Saying this, he breathed his last. ⁴⁷ When the centurion saw what happened, he began to glorify God, saying, “This man really was righteous!” ⁴⁸ All the crowds that had gathered for this spectacle, when they saw what had taken place, went home, striking their chests. ⁴⁹ But all who knew him, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

