

**Message Outline**  
*Am I Ready to Die?*  
*Getting Right with God*



**Small Group**  
**Reflection Questions**

(Please take time to ponder and pencil in to prep for this week's small group session.)



**Intro:** Last week, a Biblical overview on death with FAQs about death...

- Special guest from Auxter Funeral Home...
- Mortality movie moment: Pixar's *Up*...

**Read:** Luke 23:32-43

v.32-33—Two “criminals” crucified with Jesus...

- Knowing and owning wrongdoing (cf. v.41)...

v.34—Jesus dies the way He lived!!!

- Praying the forgiveness of those who wronged Him...

v.35-39—Three groups of people mocking Jesus...

v.39-43—One criminal repents to find life, the other mocks to his death...

- One Jesus assures, the other He never answers.

**MAIN POINT:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Why not wait until deathbed then?

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

**SUBPOINT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Turning to Jesus**

- ABCs of Christianity...

A \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom.3:23)

B \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom.6:23)

C \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom.10:9-10)

1) \_\_\_\_\_ v.40

- Fear/awe/respect God (cf. Prov.9:10, 10:27, 14:27)...

2) \_\_\_\_\_ v.41

- Repentance is owning, not excusing, sin...

3) \_\_\_\_\_ v.42

- The name “Jesus” means “the Lord saves” and points to Jesus’ reason for coming (cf. Mt.1:21)...

4) \_\_\_\_\_ v.32-33

- Sharing faith openly...

5) \_\_\_\_\_ v.43

- Distinction “today...paradise” and the coming “kingdom”...

*Read: John 18*

*\*From this passage, who is Jesus and/or what’s this say about life in Him (cf. Jn.20:30-31)?*

*\*What spoke to you this past Sunday (ie. what made you laugh, learn, look deeper at life etc.)?*

*\*In this sermon there were 5 points about what a life turning to Jesus looks like. From point 0 (not on the chart) to point 5 (Packing for Paradise), which point do you personally currently feel parked at? Why?*

*\*What do you notice about the way Jesus dies that’s worthy of emulation? In other words, how does Jesus teach about a good death thru His process of dying on the cross?*

*\* Hypothetical Situation: Someone you know dearly has 5 minutes left to live but is fully functional, cognitive, and asking about Christianity. In 5 minutes or less, how would you summarize the Christian faith? And have you ever been in a real life situation to share your faith with someone dying?*

*\*Who is someone, like the criminal in the story, you are praying comes to know Jesus before their dying breathe?*