



# Believe

## JOHN

MESSAGE

STUDY GUIDE

GROUP MATERIAL

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## Words of Life

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### Jesus' Words of Life on the Cross (Luke 23:34, 43; John 19:30)

#### A. Context

1. Arrested by the Sanhedrin – Jewish religious authorities (Lk. 23:1-3)
2. Taken to Pontius Pilate (Roman governor over Judea) & accused (Lk. 23:4, 13-15, 22)
3. Pilate eventually gives in to the Jewish authorities & hands Jesus over to be crucified (Lk. 23:25)
4. Jesus is crucified between two criminals as he is scoffed at, mocked & insulted (Lk. 23:32)

#### B. Jesus' words on the cross

1. "Father, forgive them, because they do not know what they are doing." (Lk. 23:34)
2. "Truly I say, today you will be with me in paradise." (Lk. 23:43)
3. "It is finished!" (Jn. 19:30)
  1. All God's work was completed (Jn. 4:34; 5:36; 17:4)
  2. A triumphant cry

### Words of Life at the Empty Tomb (Lk. 24:1-8)

#### A. Context

1. Earlier Jesus forecasted his death & promised he'd be raised on the third day (Lk. 9:22; 18:33)
2. Women came early to the tomb to properly care for Jesus' body (spices) (24:1)
3. Stone was rolled away from in front of the tomb (24:2)

#### B. Words of life spoken at the empty tomb

1. "Why are you looking for the living among the dead?" (v. 5)
2. "He is not here, he has been risen." (v. 6a; Acts 2:22-24a)

### Jesus Delivered On His Promises

- A. God validates Jesus' promise of forgiveness by raising him from the grave
- B. Jesus' resurrection assures us that our future is secure & his promised presence is ours going forward
- C. The empty tomb confirms that God was satisfied with everything that Jesus did