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# CRY FROM THE CROSS



Prayerfully reflect on the last words of Jesus from the cross.

*“And Jesus said, ‘Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do.’ And they cast lots to divide his garments.” (Luke 23:34)*

Who in my life do I need to forgive? Who do I need to ask forgiveness from?

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*“And He said to him, ‘Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.’”(Luke 23:43)*

Do I have hope for heaven? Do I believe that it is possible for me to be in paradise with Jesus? Why or why not?

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*“When Jesus saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing near, He said to His mother, ‘Woman, behold, your son!’ Then He said to the disciple, ‘Behold, your mother!’ And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.” (John 19:26-27)*

Do I ask Mary, the Mother of God, to pray for me? Do I welcome her into my life?

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*“And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, ‘Eli, Eli, la’ma sabach-tha’ni?’ that is, ‘My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?’” (Matthew 27:46)*

Are there times in my life that I feel like God is not there? How can I overcome these feelings with the truth that He never leaves my side?

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*“After this Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the scripture), ‘I thirst.’” (John 19:28)*

What do I desire in my life? Do I find true fulfillment and happiness in them? Why or why not?

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*“When Jesus had received the vinegar, He said, ‘It is finished’; and He bowed his head and gave up His spirit.” (John 19:30)*

What do you think Jesus meant? What did He finish? How did this moment change the world forever?

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*“Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, ‘Father, into thy hands I commit my spirit!’ And having said this He breathed His last.” (Luke 23:46)*

What things in my life do I struggle with giving over to God? What can I do to trust in Him more?

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