

Matthew 27:38 Then were there two thieves crucified with him, one on the right hand, and another on the left.

- Crucifixion was really death by suffocation (explain medical details).

Luke 23:39-43³⁹ And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on him, saying, **IF (FUTURE)** thou be Christ, save thyself and us. ⁴⁰ But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation? ⁴¹ And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds: but this man hath done nothing amiss. ⁴² And he said unto Jesus, Lord, **REMEMBER (PAST)** me when thou comest into thy kingdom. ⁴³ And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, **TODAY (NOW)** shalt thou be with me in paradise.

- One thief says **IF (FUTURE)**, the other says **REMEMBER (PAST)**, Jesus says **TODAY!**
- Most people allow themselves to be crucified (suffocated) between their doubts of tomorrow and their regrets of yesterday, but Jesus offers us peace today!

1 Kings 18:21 And Elijah came unto all the people, and said, **How long halt ye between two opinions?** if the LORD be God, follow him: but if Baal, then follow him. And the people answered him not a word.

- **A SCRIPTURAL PERSPECTIVE ON TOMORROW:**

Matthew 6:31-34³¹ Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? ³² (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. ³³ But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. ³⁴ Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

Luke 12:25-26²⁵ And which of you with taking thought can add to his stature one cubit? ²⁶ If ye then be not able to do that thing which is least, why take ye thought for the rest?

Philippians 4:6 Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.

1 Peter 5:7 Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.

- **A SCRIPTURAL PERSPECTIVE ON YESTERDAY:**

Hebrews 10:16-17¹⁶ This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; ¹⁷ And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more.

Philippians 3:13-14¹³ Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, ¹⁴ I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

Isaiah 43:18-19¹⁸ Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old. ¹⁹ Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert.

- **A SCRIPTURAL PERSPECTIVE ON TODAY:**

2 Corinthians 6:2 (For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.)

Hebrews 3:13 But exhort one another daily, while it is called To day; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.

Hebrews 13:8 Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.

Exodus 3:14 And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, **I AM** hath sent me unto you. (NOT "**I WAS**" OR "**I WILL BE**")

- When you live in the past it is hard. I am not there; my name is not "I WAS." When you live in the future it is hard. I am not there; my name is not "I WILL BE." When you live in the present it is easy. I am there; my name is "I AM."