

Sermon series: The Doctor's Cure Text: Luke 23:35-43 Big Idea: The cross should shape how we think and feel about what we deserve. Delivered: July 19, 2020 Pastor Kyle

Far Better or Far Worse

Point #1: The cross teaches us how to ______ when we don't get what we _____. (vs. 35-39)

Takeaway #1: We should see not getting what we deserve as an opportunity for ______.

Point #2: The cross teaches us that we _____ far _____. (vs. 40-41)

Takeaway #2: We should see anything _____ than judgment and condemnation as a _____ that Jesus died to give us.

Point #3: The cross teaches us that Jesus _____ us far _____. (vs. 42-43)

 $Takeaway \#_3: Since we know the _____ is far better than we deserve, we don't have to get what we think we deserve in the$

Follow-Up Questions:

- What are some past areas in your own life where you have experienced the sting of not getting what you thought you deserved?
- What are the current areas where you are prone to think or feel "I deserve better?"
- How do you tend to respond when you think or feel that you deserve better? (Lash out? Complain? Prove others wrong? Other?)
- What's a situation for you where you have the opportunity to show sacrificial love rather than trying to get what you deserve? Why is it so difficult to do this?
- How can knowing that all we deserve is condemnation and judgment change how you respond to the good and bad in life? How might this lead to a greater worship of Jesus? How might this open up opportunities to share the gospel?
- What are some ways that knowing our future is far better than we deserve might affect our present? What are some specific ways that your response to not getting what you think you deserve in 2020 might look different as a result?