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Luke 23:32-34

FATHER FORGIVE THEM

I. Introduction:

“The Last Lecture” by Randy Pausch

The Seven Last Words Of Jesus From The Cross

- “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they are doing.” Luke 23:34
- “Today you will be with me in paradise.” Luke 23:43
- “Behold your son: behold your mother.”
John 19:26-27
- “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”
Matthew 27:46
- “I thirst.” John 19:28
- “It is finished” Mark 15:37
- “Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.”
Luke 23:46

"32 Two other men, both criminals, were also led out with him to be executed. 33 When they came to the place called the Skull, there they crucified him, along with the criminals -- one on his right, the other on his left. 34 Jesus said, '**Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.**' And they divided up his clothes by casting lots." (Luke 23:32-34)

II. Unpacking Jesus Last Words:

A. An Unselfish Prayer:

"Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." Luke 23:32

B. Jesus uses the word “Father”

"**Father**, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." Luke 23:32

C. Who Does The “Them” Refer To?:

"Father, forgive **them**, for **they** do not know what **they** are doing." Luke 23:32

- The Soldiers
- Pontius Pilate
- The Chief Priests And Scribes
- The Pharissess and Sadducees
- You and I

D. Did We Know What We Were Doing?

"Father, forgive them, **for they do not know what they are doing.**" Luke 23:32

E. What Does It Mean To Forgive?

"Father, **forgive** them, for they do not know what they are doing." Luke 23:32

Forgive – Greek “Aphiemi” = “To Send Away”

"To release from legal or moral obligation or consequence, cancel, remit, pardon."

III. Conclusion And Application: