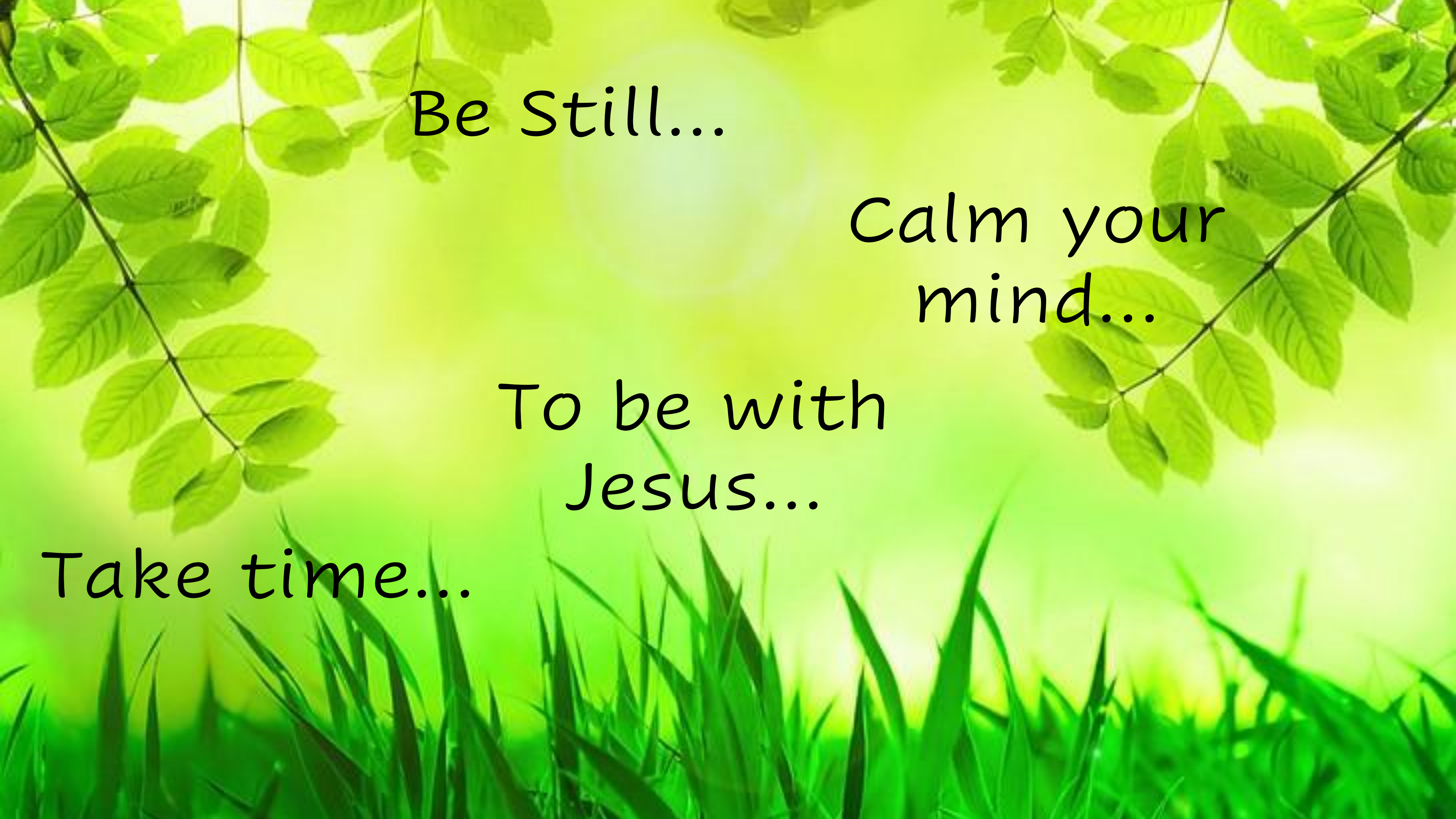




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Be Still...

Calm your
mind....

To be with
Jesus....

Take time....

34th Week of Ordinary Time –

A time to grow in faith.

Celebration of the Word –

Prayer Theme – Christ the King...



*We begin with
the sign of the cross...*

*In the name of the
Father, and of the
Son and of the
Holy Spirit.*

AMEN

WE GATHER

LISTEN TO THE WORDS

A woman with long dark braids is singing into a microphone. She is wearing a dark green top and large hoop earrings. The background is a solid orange color. The entire scene is framed by a yellow border. The text "KING OF KINGS" is overlaid in large white letters at the bottom of the frame.

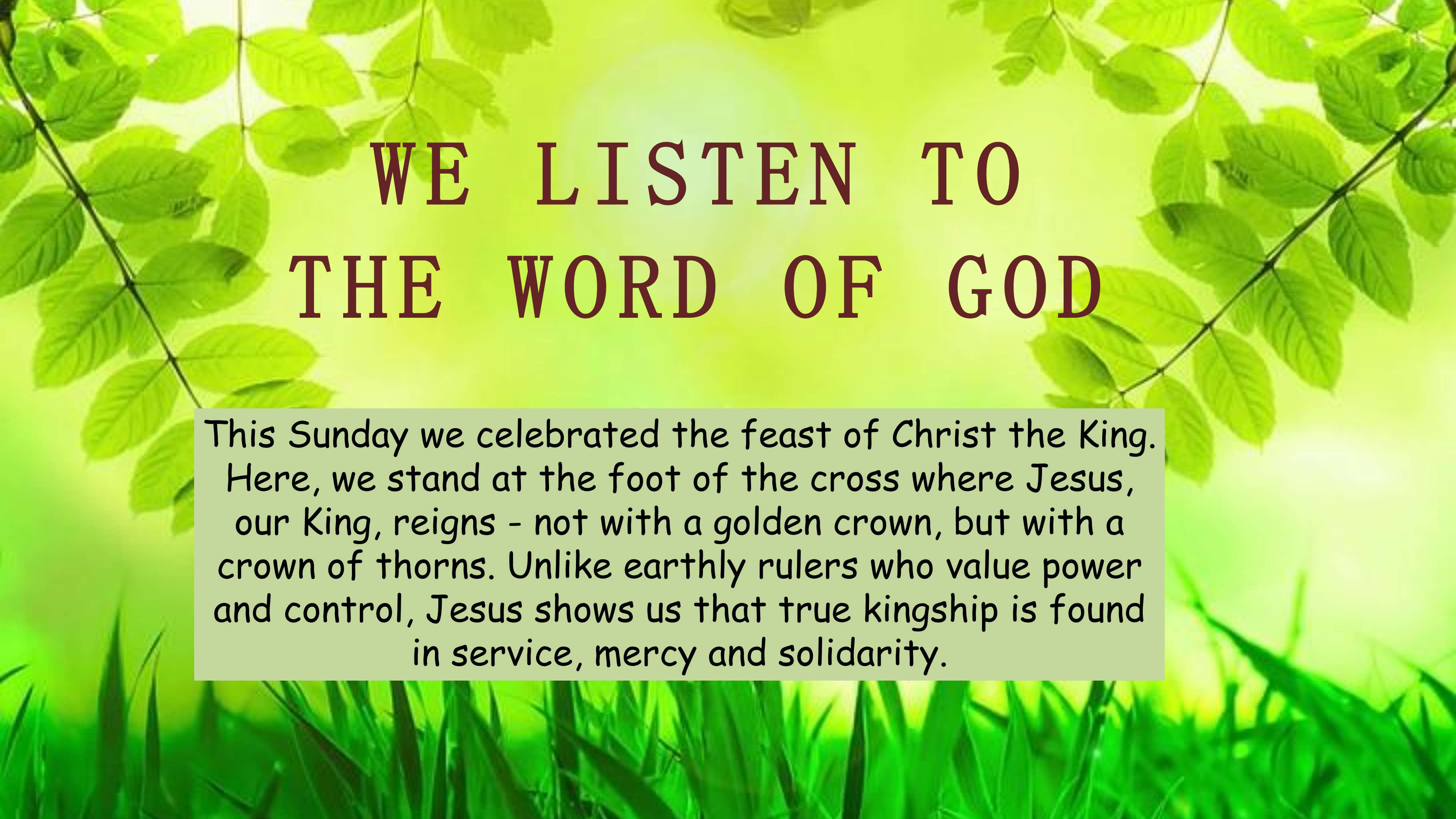
KING OF KINGS

WE GATHER

Our prayer theme this week is

Christ the King.

- I wonder what that means to you...
- I wonder what you imagine when you think
of a king...

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WE LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

This Sunday we celebrated the feast of Christ the King. Here, we stand at the foot of the cross where Jesus, our King, reigns - not with a golden crown, but with a crown of thorns. Unlike earthly rulers who value power and control, Jesus shows us that true kingship is found in service, mercy and solidarity.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke (23:35-43).

And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One! The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged railed at Jesus, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong."

And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

And Jesus said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

WE RESPOND

What do you think?

What did you find surprising
about the Gospel today?

What did you find
challenging about the
Gospel?

Take a moment to reflect...



How does this
make you feel?

Why is this message
important for us?

***“Truly, I say to you, today you will
be with me in Paradise.”***



How can this message
help us each day?

WE
RESPOND

We now take a few minutes to respond and pray...



WE GO FORTH

*How can we share
the words from
scripture as we go
forth?*

WE Go Forth

Spread the

JOY

Jesus

Others

Yourself

How can the message of the Gospel help us grow closer Jesus, our friends and families and help us to learn more about ourselves?

*We prepare to close
our time of prayer
together.*



We close our time of
prayer with the sign of
the cross. You
take this gift of
the Father, the Son and the
Holy Spirit, Amen.

