# What is 2<sup>ND</sup> THIEF<sup>™</sup> ?

It is an independent, responsive, and supportive Christian Ministry that collaborates with churches, ministries, and businesses. Our vision and mission is declaring the Good News of Jesus Christ, and disciples making disciples. We accomplish the mission through the following components:

> 2<sup>ND</sup> THIEF MINISTRIES Guest Speaking

- Sharing the Gospel through the Message of the 2<sup>ND</sup> Thief
- Teaching on God's love, grace, and forgiveness
- Disciples making Disciples

#### 2<sup>ND</sup> THIEF RIDERS MOTORCYCLE MINISTRY

- Biker Sundays/Blessings
- Benefit/ Memorial Rides & Events
- Ministry & Fellowship on Highways & Byways



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#### 2<sup>ND</sup> THIEF ROUGH RIDERS 4x4 MINISTRY

- Off-road/ Camping Ministry
- Sharing the love of Jesus
- Enjoying God's Creation



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# The Message of 2<sup>ND</sup> **THIEF**<sup>™</sup>

The message comes from Jesus' assurance to the "2nd Thief", who was crucified next to Him. We preach the simple Scriptural truth that you are saved by grace through faith in Jesus (Ephesians 2:8).

The "1st Thief", knowing he was under a death sentence, railed and mocked Jesus. He did not believe that Jesus was the Son of God and able to save him.

The "2nd Thief", under the same sentence, realized that the choices he made lead him to that end. He realized at that point he faced a "Godless" eternity. He knew he deserved his death sentence.

*"Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise"* Luke 23:43 NKJV

The "2nd Thief" humbled himself and through this honest assessment he had a clearer understanding and reverence for God. It became so obvious to him that he exclaimed, *"He (Jesus) hasn't done anything wrong."* 

His revelation led to a simple act of faith expressed by the "2nd Thief" to Jesus, "Lord, remember me when you come into Your Kingdom." Jesus replied to him alone, "Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise."

In this life, you are either the "1st Thief", knowing that the choices you've made have left you condemned by not believing Jesus to be the Son of God, the Savior. Or you are the "2nd Thief". Under the same condemnation, you humble yourself and see Jesus clearly as the Son of God and your Savior. You receive Him into your life. Then you pass from death to life to Paradise.

It was the 2nd Thief's humble recognition of his justly condemned state that enabled him to receive this revelation. The standard is not how good we are compared to other people, but how do we compare to a Holy God. All fall short of the glory of God (Romans 3:23).

The "2nd Thief" turned away from his dead life to the hope of a new life. By a simple act of faith, believing that Jesus is the Son of God and then verbally acknowledging Him as his Savior, he was redeemed.

He became righteous (had right standing) with God the Father by his relationship with His Son Jesus. Faith in Christ alone, not his works.



## Are you the 1<sup>ST</sup> Thief Or the 2<sup>ND</sup> Thief?

For "whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved"- Romans 10:13 NKJV

#### IT IS YOUR CHOICE, IT IS YOUR ETERNITY.

#### Who was the 2<sup>ND</sup> Thief?

He was nameless... Jesus knew him.

He was alone and forgotten... Jesus remembered him.

He confessed his guilt... Jesus forgave him.

He was deserving of death... Jesus gave him eternal life.

Who was the  $2^{ND}$  Thief? The  $2^{ND}$  Thief is me.

*"Jesus, remember me in Your Kingdom." LUKE 2:42* © 2005-2022 2<sup>nd</sup> Thief Ministries, Inc.

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