March 29, 2024 Good Friday

## THANK YOU, JESUS

...so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many people; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him. Hebrews 9:28 (NIV)

Good Friday could not have been a good day for the disciples. Jesus was crucified and their future was in doubt. Judas had betrayed Jesus, and Peter denied knowing him. Jesus told them what was going to happen, but they didn't seem to understand. They didn't know what was going to happen on Sunday. They must have been unhappy and confused. What joy they must have felt on Easter and we know the kind of lives they lived after that.

Like the disciples, we have good days and troublesome days, and our lives can have sudden things happen that may alter them completely. We become unhappy and confused and don't know what will happen next. We know we do not live sinless lives, and we know that it was necessary for Jesus to die for us to forgive our sins. We know Jesus rose on Easter and as the above scripture says, he will return and take us to heaven.

**Prayer:** Dear Jesus, thank you for dying for us to save us from our sins. We ask You to help us live lives that reflect Your love. Amen

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