

## Lenten Small Group Questions

Week #2 (February 28, 2021) - "Paradise" Luke 23:39-43

1. Have there been any lingering effects of forgiveness that impacted you since last week? Are there any actions you think Jesus is asking you to still consider?
2. What do you think Paradise will be like? What will it look like? What will it feel like? Do you think about Paradise very often? Why or why not?
3. God's forgiveness is based on His grace and mercy as shown to the thief in Luke 23:43.
  - a. Where have you been shown grace and mercy in your life?
  - b. Where could you show grace and mercy to others?
4. Read Ephesians 2:8-9. Based on this reading, what do you need to do to end up in Paradise?

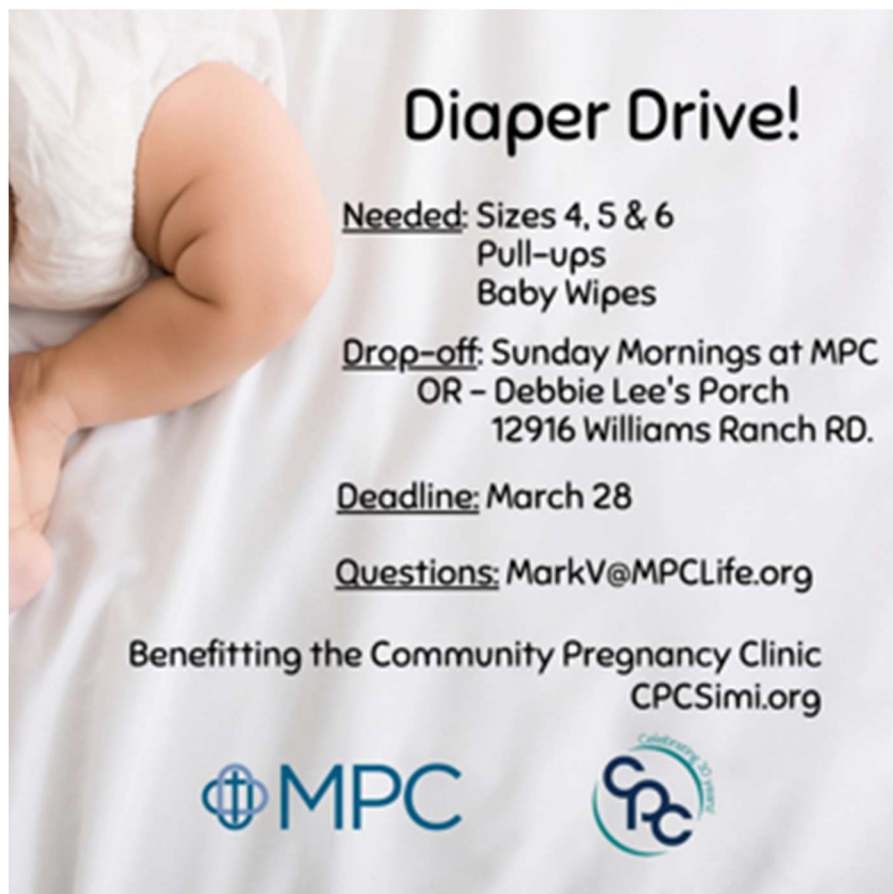
5. When did you consider your life with Jesus began? How has that decision in your life changed who you are?

6. Whatever prompted the thief to proclaim Jesus as Lord and King at the last moments of his life, Jesus' response was to take the thief to heaven with himself. How could this interaction inform your conversations with people about the power of the Gospel message and the life-giving relationship they can have with Jesus?

7. If Paradise is less about a location and more about being with Jesus, where do you experience Paradise here on Earth?

Make sure to leave some time at the end of your time together to pray for one another.

For additional study, read Matthew 20:1-16.



**Diaper Drive!**


**Needed:** Sizes 4, 5 & 6  
Pull-ups  
Baby Wipes

**Drop-off:** Sunday Mornings at MPC  
OR - Debbie Lee's Porch  
12916 Williams Ranch RD.

**Deadline:** March 28

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