Kailua Christian Church

Sunday Message

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#### "Healing, Healthy, and Helping"

Vision for a new season

#### Healthy

Where changes to love God and others better are Encouraged and developed

## **Christ on the Cross**

### I'm changed to love God and others better by..

"When they came to the place called The Skull, there they crucified Him and the criminals, one on the right and the other on the left. 34 But Jesus was saying, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots, dividing up His garments among themselves. 35 And the people stood by, looking on. And even the rulers were sneering at Him, saying, "He saved others; let Him save Himself if this is the Christ of God, His Chosen One." 36 The soldiers also mocked Him, coming up to Him, offering Him sour wine, 37 and saying, "If You are the King of the Jews, save Yourself!" 38 Now there was also an inscription above Him, "THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS."

39 One of the criminals who were hanged there was hurling abuse at Him, saying, "Are You not the Christ? Save Yourself and us!" 40 But the other answered, and rebuking him said, "Do you not even fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? 41 And we indeed are suffering justly, for we are receiving what we deserve for our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." 42 And he was saying, "Jesus, remember me when You come in Your kingdom!" 43 And He said to him, "Truly I say to you, today you shall be with Me in Paradise."

44 It was now about the sixth hour, and darkness fell over the whole land until the ninth hour, 45 because the sun was obscured; and the veil of the temple was torn in two. 46 And Jesus, crying out with a loud voice, said, "Father, into Your hands I commit My spirit." Having said this, He breathed His last. 47 Now when the centurion saw what had happened, he began praising God, saying, "Certainly this man was innocent."Luke 23;33-47

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### I. Believing His gift of forgiveness is for all, forever

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# > How does Jesus's gift of forgiveness regardless of how you are change you?

### II. Honestly hoping, asking and receiving His undeserved gift of forgiveness

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### Is there an area of your life that you may be hesitant to hope, ask and receive Christ's gift of forgiveness and loving relationship? Can you share that with Christ today?

#### III. Treating all others as equally forgiven and accepted by Christ.

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In this season approaching Easter, would it be good for you to come to Christ on the Cross and humbly welcome His forgiveness and a new life today?

Is there someone you know that you can love and treat as Christ does, that they may know Him through you?