



SUNGAI WAY-SUBANG METHODIST CHURCH

HOLY WEEK

Celebration

GOOD FRIDAY

Service

With **HOLY COMMUNION***

2 April 2021 | 8 PM

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Luke 23:32-43

Philip Phua

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Good Friday 2021

Luke 23:32-43

Luke 23:32-43 (ESV)

³² Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with Him. ³³ And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified Him, and the criminals, one on His right and one on His left. ³⁴ And Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.” And they cast lots to divide His garments.

Luke 23:32-43 (ESV)

³⁵ 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!” ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked Him, coming up and offering Him sour wine ³⁷ and saying, “If You are the King of the Jews, save Yourself!” ³⁸ There was also an inscription over Him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

Luke 23:32-43 (ESV)

³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged railed at Him, saying, “Are you not the Christ? Save Yourself and us!” ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, ..
“Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹ And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.”

Luke 23:32-43 (ESV)

⁴² And he said, “Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom.”

⁴³ And He said to him, “Truly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise.”

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LOOK - What do we see?

2 Observations, 2 Prophecies Fulfilled

Jesus received a **punishment**
reserved for the worst of criminals

... and He was **positioned**
between two of them.

This fulfilled the prophecy that
the Messiah would be identified
and associated with sinners/
rebels - **Isaiah 53:12 & Luke 22:37**





The soldiers gambled
over Jesus' clothes - He
was naked and shamed!

John 19:24 (Psalm 22:18)

“This was to fulfill the
Scripture which says,

“They divided my garments
among them, and for my
clothing they cast lots.”

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LISTEN - What do we hear?

2 Groups, 2 Responses

Group 1

The religious leaders +
soldiers mocked Jesus

He saved others ...

If You are the Messiah,
God's Chosen One ...

If You are the King of the Jews

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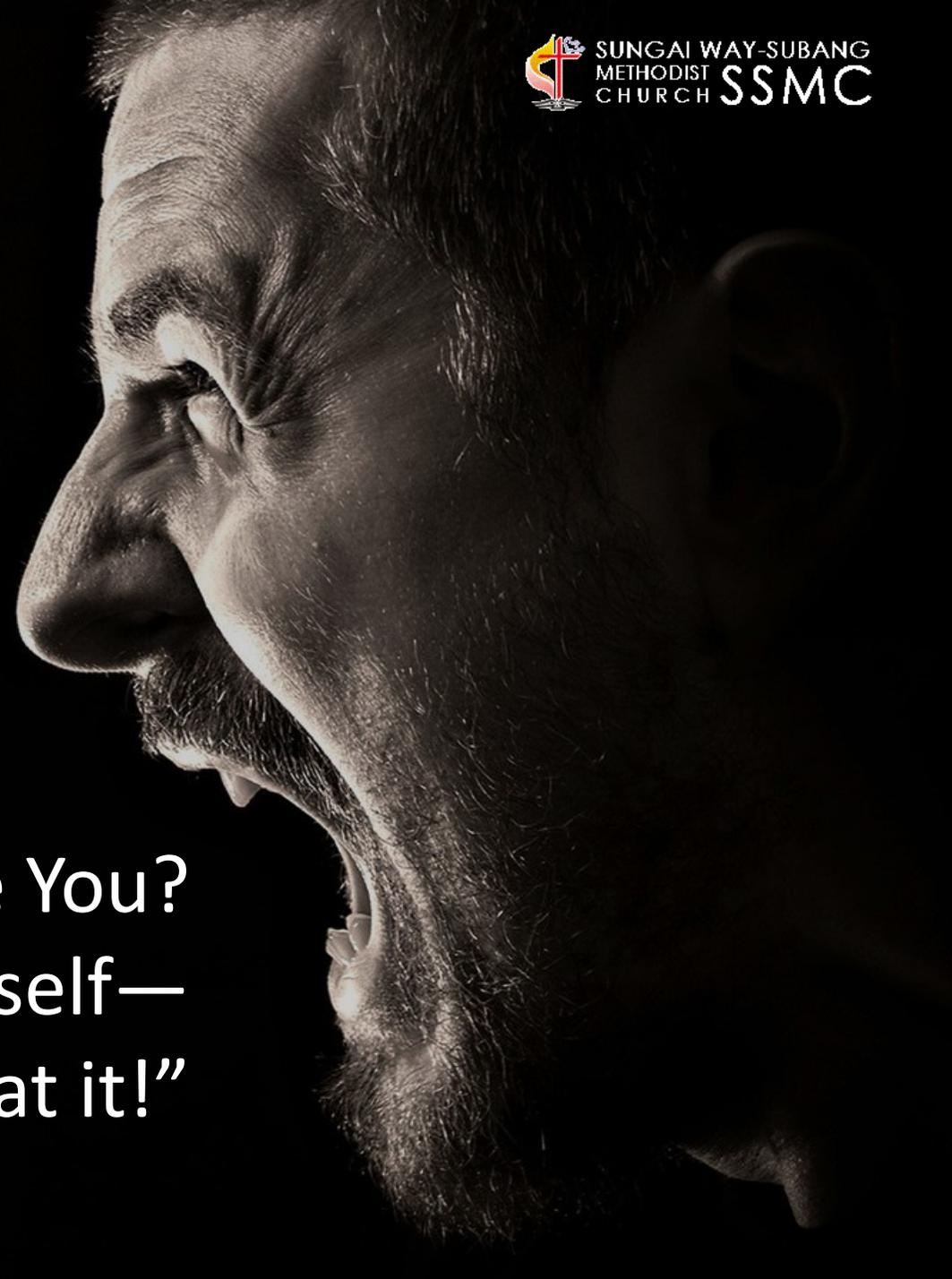
then prove it, save Yourself!

Group 2

Even those who were
crucified with Him ridiculed
Him in the same way

Mark 15:32 & Matthew 27:44

“So you’re the Messiah, are You?
Prove it by saving Yourself—
and us, too, while You’re at it!”



FROM RIDICULE
TO REBUKE

“Don’t you fear God even when you have been sentenced to die? We deserve to die for our crimes, but this man hasn’t done anything wrong.”



FROM **REBUKE** TO **REMEMBER**

“Jesus, remember me when You come into Your Kingdom.”

He recognized who he was (a criminal, deserving to die) + he recognized who Jesus was (a King, innocent and undeserving of crucifixion).

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LISTEN - What did Jesus say?

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“Father, **forgive them**,
for they don’t know
what they are doing.”

“I assure you, today
you will be with Me
in paradise.”

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FORG|IVENESS



FRI|ENDSHIP

“God is high and mighty but not the kind of high and mighty that is snobbish. God is not like human dignitaries (what we call “rock stars” today) who don’t normally hang out with average people.

It’s important to “understand both **the lowliness of God's greatness and the greatness of God's lowliness ...** God's dignity and greatness are seen precisely in His lowliness and accessibility to all.”

Jan Johnson, 2012

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“For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give His life as a ransom for many.” **Mark 10:45**

“... and through Him God reconciled everything to Himself. He made peace with everything in heaven and on earth by means of Christ’s blood on the cross.” **Colossians 1:20**

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RESPOND to GOD

RECEIVE God's Forgiveness & Friendship

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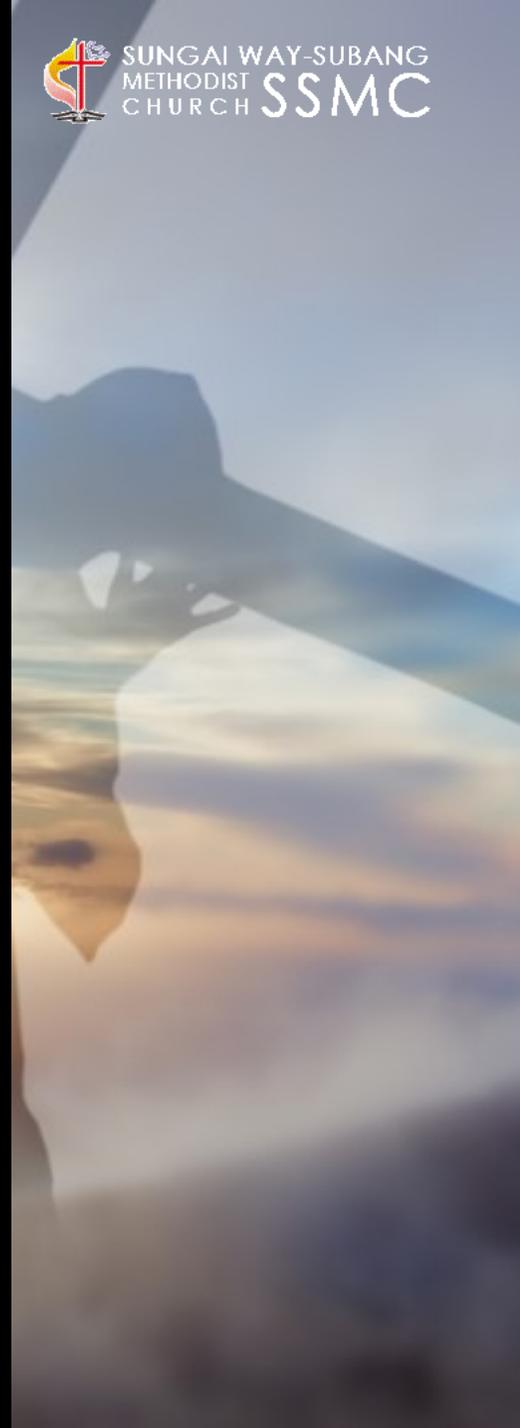
RESPOND to ONE Other

REFLECT God's Forgiveness & Friendship

FOLLOWING OUR SERVANT KING

“If any of you wants to be My follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross daily, and follow Me.”

Luke 9:23 (NLT)



RECEIVE + REFLECT

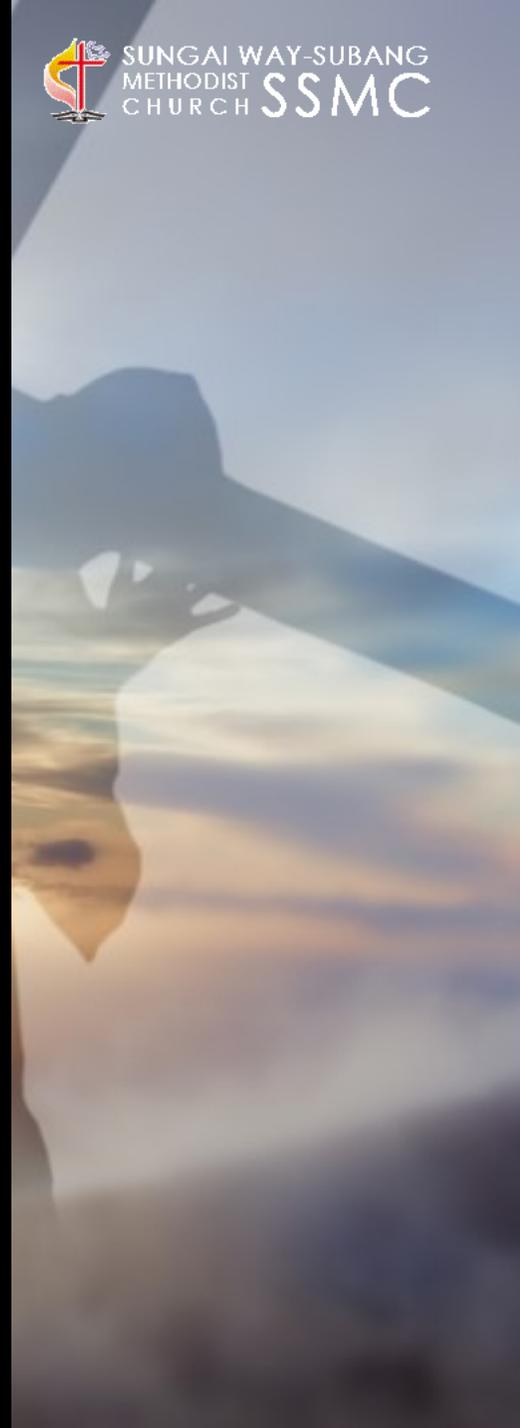
We are called to

LIVE +

SHARE +

SHOW

God's forgiveness
& friendship



“When the watching world looks at us,
I hope that what they are seeing
is a piece of the Body of Christ
broken for a suffering world
so that it may be whole again.”

Dr. Melba Maggay, 2021

FOLLOWING OUR SERVANT KING

Come see His hands and His feet
The scars that speak of sacrifice
Hands that flung stars into space
To cruel nails surrendered

This is our God, The Servant King
He calls us now to follow Him
To bring our lives as a daily offering
Of worship to The Servant King

