



While this man might have been where he was because of the consequences of his own actions, we can't ignore that this man made some pretty incredible statements while hanging on his own cross beside Jesus. Instead of only looking at this man with a negative connotation, I think it would be good for us to take some time to look at how we should be more like this man within our own lives.

I am of the belief that there are at least four ways in this text that we should be like the thief that hung on a cross beside our Lord.

**1. Take \_\_\_\_\_ For My \_\_\_\_\_**

- This thief was not afraid to \_\_\_\_\_ that he was hanging on the cross \_\_\_\_\_. (Matt. 27:44; Mark 15:27)
- While the one thief is \_\_\_\_\_ at Jesus, the other was quick to step in and \_\_\_\_\_ that it was only the two thieves themselves that were \_\_\_\_\_ of being where they were. Luke 23:41
- We must not \_\_\_\_\_ the fact that when we sin we, too, are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of death. Rom. 6:23; Gen. 6:1-12; Rom. 1:21-32

**2. Be \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_**

While \_\_\_\_\_ his own mistakes, this thief also realized that Jesus didn't \_\_\_\_\_ to be there in that same \_\_\_\_\_ as him. Luke 23:34, 42  
 Jesus was willing to \_\_\_\_\_ on that cross so that we might be \_\_\_\_\_ and given a chance at \_\_\_\_\_ a life in His \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Be \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus from \_\_\_\_\_**

- This thief was willing to \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus from \_\_\_\_\_ attacks \_\_\_\_\_ at Him by the other \_\_\_\_\_ Luke 23:39
- We must be willing to d \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus because of what He was willing to do to \_\_\_\_\_ us \_\_\_\_\_. Luke 12:8, 9

**4. L \_\_\_\_\_ to be a \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_**

- This man knew of Jesus's \_\_\_\_\_ and desired greatly to be a \_\_\_\_\_ of it* Matt. 3:2, 11; Luke 23:42
- We must be willing to make our \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of our lives. Phil. 3:17-21; v. 19; Luke 23:43

His willingness to be accountable for his actions, to acknowledge Jesus for who He is, to defend Jesus from attacks, and to put his hope in Jesus's kingdom serves as a strong example of just how we ought to approach our mistakes, Jesus, His sacrifice, and His kingdom. May God help us to be more like this thief on the cross in those ways that showed his great faith