"Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?" - Matthew 8:37

"And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment, so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. to those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation." - Hebrews 9:27-28

The thief on the cross who acknowledge Jesus' Lordship and His coming kingdom was the first person we know of who entered glory with Christ. It was not because this thief was a good person, but because He received Christ He entered heaven. We can be as religious as we can to attain God's mercy but it is a vain effort because unless we have Christ is our hearts all other efforts including our religiosity is useless. Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No man can come to the Father but through Me". It is appointed for a man to die once. We are just a breath short from entering eternity. Whether our next moment after death is in the presence of Christ or separation from Him is determined based on if we believed in the Saviour while we are on earth. Those who did not trust Christ will be judged by their works which will fall short of God's glory no matter how good the effort is. Come to Jesus and receive the free gift of salvation. It is by grace through faith in Christ are we saved. Praise the Lord!

"And behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to give to every one according to his work." - Jesus Christ Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus!