

“The Cross”

John 19

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I. The Means of Reconciliation to God

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Reconcile = *to bring back a former state of harmony*

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Ephesians 2:16

“And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby:”

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Colossians 1:20

“And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.”

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I Corinthians 1:17-18

“For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel: not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect. For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.”

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2. The Eternal Plan of God

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I Peter 1:19-20

“But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you,”

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Revelation 13:8

“And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.”

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3. The Expression of God's Nature

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John 15:13

“Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.”

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4. God's Triumph Over The Enemy

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Colossians 2:13-15

“And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses; Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross; *And* having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it.”

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5. Death to the Old, Leading to New Life

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Galatians 6:14

“But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.”

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Luke 14:27

“And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple.”

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