
The Cross

Purpose

To help you connect personally with what Jesus did for you.

Romans 5:6-8

Q: How does God demonstrate his love for us?

- While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Q: How does that make you feel?

The Passion of Christ

Matthew 26:36-46

- Jesus was preparing himself to go to the Cross.

Q: What was Jesus feeling in this moment?

- Jesus is the model of putting God's will above His own.

Matthew 26:47-56

- Jesus is arrested and all of His friends abandon Him.

Matthew 26:69-75

- Jesus is denied by His best friend.

Matthew 26:11-26

- Jesus remained silent for you and me. (V14)
- We are Barrabas! (V16)
- Pilate had the power to release Jesus, but he wanted to please the crowd. (v24)

Matthew 27:27-31

Q: How do you think Jesus felt when He was mocked? (v29)

Q: How do we mock Jesus?

Matthew 27:32-44

Q: How would Jesus feel that there was no one to help Him? (v32)

- The death of Jesus on the cross was not enough for some people to believe. (v42)

Matthew 27:45-46

- Jesus was separated from God and put into darkness for your sin. (v46)

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Our Response to the Cross

1 Peter 2:21-25

Q: What should be our response to the cross?

- The Cross should motivate us to die to our sins and live for righteousness.

2 Corinthians 5:14-15

Q: What does the word compel mean?

- Christ's love compels us to stop living for ourselves and start living for God. What does that look like for you personally?

Faith in Action

1. Read the Medical Account of the Crucifixion at our website: www.lighthousecoc.com
2. Watch the movie *The Passion of the Christ*.

Read This Week

- Isaiah 53:4-6, Mark 14-16