

"For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power. For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God" (1 Cor. 1:17-18)

- The Cross has the Power to Save
- Forgiveness Matt. 26:28
- Purchased Acts 20:28
- Propitiation/Satisfaction –
 Sanctified Heb. 13:12 Rom. 3:24
- Justified Rom. 5:9
- Redeemed Eph. 1:7
- Brought Near Eph. 2:13
 Freed Rev. 1:5
- Reconciled Eph. 2:16

- Enter Holy Place Heb. 10:19
- Ransomed 1 Pet. 1:18-19
- Cleansed 1 Jn. 1:7
- Washed Rev. 7:14

- The Cross has the Power to Save
 - Christ died for <u>all</u> people (Jn. 3:16; Heb. 2:9)
 - Christ died for weak, ungodly enemies (Rom. 5:6-11)

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- The Cross has the Power to Change Lives
 - Intended to produce a changed life (2 Cor. 5:14-15; Heb. 9:13-14)
 - Take up your cross (Lk. 9:23; Gal. 2:20)
 - The Lord's Supper (1 Cor. 10:16; 11:26)

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- The Cross was vindicated by the Power of the Resurrection
 - Victory over death (1 Cor. 15:54-55; Rom. 1:4)

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- The Cross was vindicated by the Power of the Resurrection
- The Cross is a Powerful Display of God's Character
 - The Love of God (Jn. 3:16; 1 Jn. 4:7-10)