

C. The **modern** way to deal with sin

- ◆ We **justify** it
- ◆ We **ignore** it

Almost all the teaching on **hell** comes from Christ himself

### III. The cross is the solution to the problem of sin

Jesus on the cross was experiencing the **full judgment of God**

**rejection by God**

**condemnation of God**

God the Son died a **death for us**

Jesus became a **curse** for us

*"Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written, 'Cursed is everyone who is hung on a tree.'" Galatians 3:13*

Finally, as Jesus died, Jesus said, "**It is finished**"

### Small Group Discussion Guide:

- 1) "Crux" or "crucial" come from 'cross' in Latin which means the central thing. In what way is the cross the central or most important thing for you?
- 2) How does the cross bring into question God's reliability?
- 3) How does the cross bring into question Jesus' reliability?
- 4) What is the problem behind the cross?
- 5) Discuss the difference in meaning of the two Greek words for sin – "harmartia" and "anomia".
- 6) Is there enough evidence to solidly hold to a doctrine of sin today?

7) Give examples of how people deal with sin.

8) How does it strike you that more than anyone else, Jesus teaches us about hell?

9) In what way is the cross the solution to the problem of sin?

10) What happened on the cross when sin was brought into the Trinity itself?

### Daily Reading Plan:

This Reading Plan is an aide to help focus on "The Life of Christ" message series. Each week's reading's are preparatory for the upcoming message.

Monday - Mark 11, Mark 12

Tuesday - Mark 13, Mark 14

Wednesday - Mark 15, Mark 16

Thursday - John 17, John 18

Friday - John 19, John 20, John 21

Weekend - Matthew 28



# Redeeming Notes

Pastor Dave Glesne ..... "What the Cross Means for the World"

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Matthew 27:32-44

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The cross stands at the **center** of all time

## I. The cross as a problem

A. It brings into question God's **reliability**

How can we trust God when He **abandoned** Jesus?

B. It brings into question Jesus' **reliability**

It seems to make Jesus' promises **null** and **void**

## II. The problem behind the cross

A. The problem behind the cross is **us**

The real outrage is **human sin**

**harmartia** - a falling short of a goal or a target

**anomia** - lawlessness or rebellion

B. The **evidence** for the doctrine of sin