

THE CROSS

What was achieved by the cross?



Starter-questions for discussion

Salvation of sinners

- justification ¹
- propitiation ²
- redemption ³
- purification ⁴
- sanctification ⁵
- reconciliation ⁶
- adoption ⁷

Revelation of God

- justice ⁸
- love ⁹
- power ¹⁰
- wisdom

Conquest of evil

- defeat of the devil ¹¹
- uniting of everything ¹²

? what struck you most in today's sermon?
What is the main thing you're going to take away?

? which big word that ends in '-tion' do you find most precious? Were any of them new to you? Any you still don't really understand?

? pick one of the seven big words and ask the person sitting next to you to explain in a couple of sentences what it means!

? how does the cross reveal God's justice?

? do you ever feel tempted to look to your circumstances as evidence that God loves you? What can you do at such times?

? why is the defeat of the devil such good news?

¹ Deuteronomy 25:1; Proverbs 17:15; Romans 5:9; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Romans 5:1; 8:1

² Romans 3:22; 1 John 2:2; 4:10; 1 Thessalonians 1:10

³ Leviticus 25:48; Ephesians 1:7; Romans 3:24; John 8:34; Colossians 1:13; 1 Peter 1:18; Mark 10:45; Romans 8:32; 6:22; 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

⁴ Jeremiah 2:22; 33:8; 1 John 1:7; Hebrews 1:3; 1 Corinthians 6:11; Hebrews 9:14; Psalm 51:2

⁵ Hebrews 10:10; 1 Thessalonians 4:3

⁶ Romans 5:10; 2 Corinthians 5:18; Romans 5:1; 1 John 3:1;

⁷ 1 John 3:1; Ephesians 1:5

⁸ John 13:31; Romans 3:25

⁹ Romans 5:8; Galatians 2:20

¹⁰ 1 Corinthians 1:23-24

¹¹ 1 John 5:19; Colossians 2:15; 1 Corinthians 15:25; Revelation 20:10,14

¹² Romans 8:21; Ephesians 1:10