## THE CROSS How should we respond to the cross?

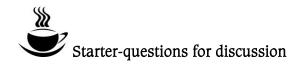
Trust in the cross <sup>1</sup> Saying no to self-righteousness

Take up the cross <sup>2</sup> Saying no to self-fulfilment

Live out the cross <sup>3</sup> Saying no to self-indulgence

Look to the cross <sup>4</sup> Saying no to self-service

Pass on the cross <sup>5</sup> Saying no to self-promotion



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

**?** which of the five responses to the cross are you stronger at? Which are you weaker at? What could you do to be more cross-centered in that area?

? what did 'Jesus' S.C.A.R.S' stand for? How could it help you in your daily devotions?

**?** "All this I did for thee. What doest thou for me?" What is the point of this inscription on the 'Ecce Homo' painting?

**?** how can our lives become more cross-shaped rather than 'curved in on ourselves'?

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ephesians 2:8; Galatians 2:16; 1 Corinthians 11:24,26

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Luke 9:23; Hebrews 13:13; John 15:20;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Galatians 2:20; Romans 6:6; Colossians 3:3,5; Galatians 5:24

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Ephesians 5:2; 1 John 3:16; Mark 10:44-45; Philippians 2:4-5; Ephesians 5:25; John 12:24

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 1 Corinthians 15:3; 1:23-24