

# THE CROSS OF CHRIST

## 1. The CHRIST of the Cross

- a. His life was not taken, but he offered it up. He was in control. This was his plan. John 10:17-18
- b. He was a perfect sacrifice, not suffering for his own sin, but for our sin. 1 Peter 3:18 (2 Cor 5:21)
- c. God loved us on the cross John 3:16; 13:1

## 2. The REQUIREMENT of the Cross

- a. We required the cross. This shows our sinfulness. Matt 26:39 1 John 1:10
- b. This also shows God's holiness / righteousness Rom 3:21-26

## 3. The ACCOMPLISHMENT of the Cross

- a. Christ accomplished eternal redemption. It was all due to him, not us. Heb 9:12
- b. We are made righteous. Rom 5:19
- c. He did not remain on the cross but was raised from the dead, showing it was a success. Rom 4:25

## 4. The IMPLICATION of the Cross

We take up our cross. This demonstrates our membership in the body of Christ, our participation in the death and resurrection of Christ. This demonstrates that we agree with points 1, 2, and 3. This demonstrates that we are followers of Christ. This is evidence that He died for us. Mark 8:34-38