

Connect Group Study Guide: The Cross Before Us And The World Behind Us.

As we prepare to celebrate Easter I have been reminded of the power of the cross and I am fully convinced that the divine performance on the cross still holds the power to save and sanctify men. We as Christians have to put the cross always before us and leave the world and all its sophisticated nonsense behind us. All the eloquent arguments and entertainments may stimulate our natural senses but they will not secure spiritual rebirth for anyone. What will make a difference is the power contained in the divine performance of The Father, Son and Holy Spirit on the cross of Calvary.

We have to put the cross of Calvary before us reminding ourselves of what Jesus did on our behalf. It is the cross that reveals the power and passion of our Christ. The power that overcame death and hell, and the passion that endured suffering for those He loved. This power and passion is what brings fear and awe on all those who are confronted by it and it is this that leads to godly repentance.

I pray that the effects of the cross of Calvary will be showcased in and through your lives, especially this Easter period. I pray that through your lives many people will come to know Jesus as both Lord and saviour.

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1. Romans 3:21-26

Matthew 27:45-54

Acts 2:36-46

John 3:16

1 Corinthians 1:17-18

Romans 1:16

1 Peter 3:15-17

What is the gospel (good news) and how do we share it effectively? (Please spend a bit of time on this question making sure you all know what the gospel is and how you can in very simple ways share it with others)

2. Colossians 2:11-15

Romans 8:1-10

Galatians 5:19-26

Matthew 5:13-16

How are those who have redemption through Christ meant to live?

How does this affect those around them?