

KNEEL AT THE CROSS

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INTRODUCTION:

A. Read text: Phil. 2:5-8.

B. Regarding the text:

1. Do you remember medicine tasting bad but necessary for health?
 - 1) The Cross proclaims that sin is horrible.
 - 2) God hates sin: Christ came to destroy it (**1 Corinthians 15:3**).
2. Calvary is an awful scene, but necessary to give us life.

DISCUSSION: WE KNEEL AT THE CROSS BECAUSE OF IT'S...

I. THE "PURPOSE" OF THE CROSS:

A. FORGIVENESS.

1. **Matthew 26:28.**
2. Over 60 years ago a group of men wanted to rid every reference to "BLOOD" from the hymns we sing. Why? Because it is too distasteful.
3. "What can wash away my sins? Nothing but the Blood..." "There is power in the Blood." Would they take away every scripture reference?
4. When you take away the blood, you take away forgiveness.

B. FULFILLMENT.

1. **Isaiah 53:5.**
2. The Jews That Crucified Jesus Knew These Scriptures.
3. God promised to send the Savior (**Genesis 3:15; Romans 6:23**)!

C. RECONCILIATION.

1. **Colossians 1:21.**
 - 1) RECONCILED = bring back a former state of harmony.
 - 2) A **complete** reconciliation.
2. **Ephesians 2:13.**

II. THE "POWER" OF THE CROSS:

A. SALVATION

1. **1 Corinthians 1:18.**
2. **Romans 1:16.**

B. FREEDOM.

1. **Galatians 6:14-15.**
2. Free from the bondage of sin.
 - 1) **Romans 6:6.**
 - 2) **Romans 6:22.**

C. UNITY.

1. **Galatians 3:28.**
2. **Ephesians 2:16.**
3. **Ephesians 4:3.**

III. THE "PATH" OF THE CROSS:

A. "Jesus walked the lonely road to Calvary."

1. To die for sin (**Luke 19:10; Romans 6:23**).
2. To die for our sin (**John 10:10**).

B. The path of the Cross will lead us to heaven.

1. Remember Jesus went to the cross to make heaven possible.
2. Our task is to be obedient (**Hebrews 5:9; Galatians 3:27; 1 Corinthians 12:13**).