

THE SEVEN WONDERS OF THE CROSS
(THE FINAL WORDS CHRIST)

MONDAY MEDITATION

THE CROSS IS GOD'S INSTRUMENT OF PARDON

But Jesus was saying, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing."

Luke 23: 34

He willingly gave His life and was treated like a criminal. But He carried away the sins of many people and asked forgiveness of those who sinned.

Isaiah 53: 12 (NCV)

TUESDAY MEDITATION

THE CROSS IS GOD'S GATEWAY TO PARADISE

Truly I say to you, today you shall be with Me in Paradise.

Luke 23: 43

Whoever will call upon the name of the Lord will be saved.

Romans 10: 13

WEDNESDAY MEDITATION

THE CROSS IS GOD'S BOND OF PARTNERSHIP

When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing nearby, He said to His mother, "Woman, behold your son!" Then he said to His disciple, "Behold your mother!"

John 19: 26-27

...Christ reconciled both groups to God by means of His death on the cross, and our hostility toward each other was put to death.

Ephesians 2: 16 (NLT)

THURSDAY MEDITATION

THE CROSS IS GOD'S GUARANTEE OF HIS PRESENCE

And about the ninth hour (3:00pm) Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "My God, My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?"

Matthew 27: 46

He Himself has said, "I will never desert you, nor will I ever forsake you," so that we confidently say, "The Lord is my helper, I will not be afraid."

Hebrews 13: 5b-6a

GOOD FRIDAY MEDIATION

THE CROSS IS GOD'S PROOF OF HIS PATHOS

I am thirsty.

John 19: 28

This High Priest of ours understands our weaknesses, for He faced all of the same testings we do, yet He did not sin. So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive His mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most.

Hebrews 4: 15-16 (NLT)

SATURDAY MEDITATION

THE CROSS IS GOD'S METHOD OF DEBT PAYMENT

It is finished!

John 19: 30

He canceled the record of charges against us and took it away by nailing it to the cross.

Colossians 2: 14 (NLT)

EASTER SUNDAY MEDITATION

THE CROSS IS GOD'S WAY TO RESURRECTION POWER

And Jesus, crying out with a loud voice, said, "Father into Thy hands I commit My Spirit." And having said this, He breathed His last.

Luke 23: 46

I also pray that you will understand the incredible greatness of God's power for us who believe. This is the same power that raised Christ from the dead...

Ephesians 1: 19-20 (NLT)