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the Cruciform life

FIRST CORINTHIANS

Reflections

The most wonderful thing of all about the cross is that it reveals the love of God to us... How do we see the love of God in the cross? Ah, says the modern man, I see it in this way, that though man rejected and murdered the Son of God, God in His love still says, "All right, I still forgive you. Though you have done that to My Son, I still forgive you." Yes, that is part of it, but it is the smallest part of it. That is not the real love of God. God was not a passive spectator of the death of His Son. That is how the moderns put it - that God in heaven looked down upon it all, saw men killing His own Son, and said, "All right, I will still forgive you." But it was not we who brought God's Son to the cross. It was God. It was the predeterminate counsel and foreknowledge of God.

- Dr. Martyn Lloyd-Jones

Nothing is more deceitful than the appearance of humility. It is often only carelessness of opinion, and sometimes an indirect boast.

- Jane Austen

The whole celebrity culture thing - I'm fascinated by, and repelled by, and yet I end up knowing about it.

- Anderson Cooper

Nobody cares how much you know, until they know how much you care.

- Teddy Roosevelt

'Vase of Flowers' by Jan van Huysum, 1722; Oil on panel

'Cruciform' logo by Jesse Wu

Scripture

1 Corinthians 2:1-5, 9-12

¹ And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. ² For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³ And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, ⁴ and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵ so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

⁹ But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,
nor the heart of man imagined,
what God has prepared for those who love him”—

¹⁰ these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹ For who knows a person's thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. ¹² Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God.

Sermon

the Cruciform life: Revealed By the Spirit

Paul Kim / Alex Watlington

Events & News

Serve With Us, Learn more today after all three services

Come and explore opportunities to serve others— both in our city and here on Sundays. Learn how to get involved with Hope for LA, Children and Youth, and our Sunday Serve teams.

Orphan Care: All In, October 1

Over four Sundays, take a deep dive into “why” and “how” to get involved with foster care children. This class draws from scripture-based curriculum that is focused on the need for homes, mentors, and volunteers. 11 AM at SAMOHI and 3:30 PM at St. John's.

Pre-Marriage Seminar, November 11

Are you engaged or considering marriage? Are you newly married with a desire to have a godly marriage? This seminar offers practical information on how to build a healthy marriage. Topics include the Biblical institution of marriage, communication, conflict resolution, sex, and finances.

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Ministry Resources

Pastoral Care

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