



90 - Life of Jesus

Week Fourteen - "The Good Side of God"

Matthew 27:45-54

Bottom line: God is good, and the death of Jesus proves it.

1. Have you ever struggled to believe God loves you? If so, why?
2. In what ways do you find yourself trying to stay on God's "good side"? What does that look like?
3. Read Romans 8:1-4. Paul talks about three different laws: the law of sin and death, the law of the Spirit, and the law (meaning the Jewish scriptures, i.e. the rules for God's covenant relationship with Israel). What does he say about each? Which law does Jesus make the definitive word?
4. How does it change our understanding of the cross if we see it as God breaking the power of sin *for us* instead of God working out His anger *at us*?
5. Read Romans 5:8. How do we know God loves us?
6. How will you live differently *because* God loves you instead of living differently *so that* God loves you more?