

THE CROSS


THE CENTREPIECE OF
GOD'S SAVING GRACE

What is the series about?

Through a 7 week series we are going to be exploring the centrepiece of God's saving grace.

- Part 1 - *Where is the lamb?* - Genesis 22
- Part 2 - *God will Passover* - Exodus 12
- Part 3 - *Lamb to the slaughter* - Isaiah 53
- Part 4 - *My God, Why?* - Psalm 22
- Part 5 - *A cross-shaped life* - 1 John 4:7
- Part 6 - *The Lion & the Lamb* - Revelation 5
- Part 7 - *Foolish or powerful?* - 1 Corinthians 1

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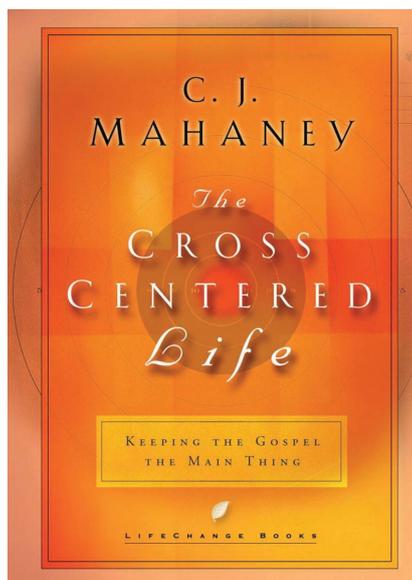
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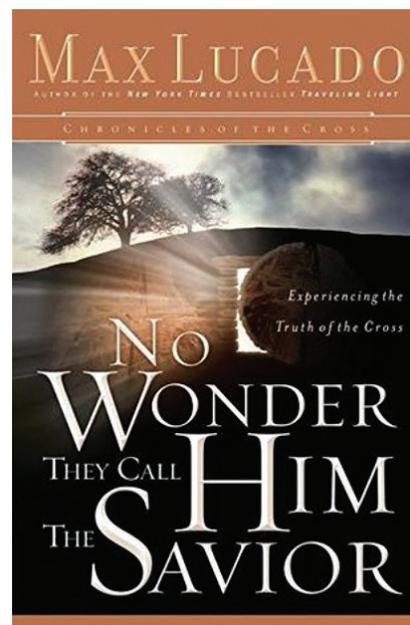
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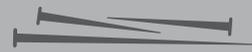
Recommended Reading

The Cross Centered Life
CJ Mahaney



No Wonder They call Him the Savior
Max Lucado





Title: The Drama of the Cross

Speaker: Goff Hope

Bible reference: Genesis 22:1-14

Overview

An introduction to new series 'The Cross: The Centerpiece of God's Saving Grace' explaining why it is so important in the overall Drama of Scripture. Here God's love is most clearly seen. Then coming to Genesis 22: what can we learn from this shocking story? Sacrifice a son?

1. Being a God-follower is always about walking the walk, not just believing things.
Gen 12
2. Although God does promise to bless, protect us, Gen 15v1, he does also test us.
Gen 22v1
3. This story of Abraham being asked to sacrifice his beloved son is pointing to God's sacrifice of His beloved Son. See the many parallels:
Beloved son
3 day journey
son carrying the wood for the sacrifice
Mountains of Moriah (that is where Jerusalem was built)
Where is the lamb? *Gen 22v7 - 'Behold the Lamb of God' John 1v29*

This is where the Christian life begins, but it is also where we live the Christian life. Stay close!

'The cross is the blazing fire at which the flame of our love is kindled. But we have to get close enough for its sparks to fall on us' John Stott Are you living a cross-centered life? Check: If you lack joy, lack love for Jesus, easily get condemned, you're probably not.

Response (SOUL)

Run through the following sections. Use smaller groups at any time if helpful.

S = Scripture - Read it, what does it say?

O = Observe - What do you see, context, details, surprises etc?

U = Understand - What truth does God want you to learn?

L = Live - What would it look like to apply this to your life?