

The Journey Begins

Cross training pt 3

220Power
Cell Format

The Breakdown:

This lesson is designed to help the young person understand the significance of the cross in their lives today. As a result of this lesson, they should no longer look at the cross of Christ as a thing of the past, but an essential tool for their future as a Christian. They should desire to attend an encounter to see the cross at work in their lives daily.

Open Up: Name an event in the history of America that still affects your life today. (Ex. war, court decision, invention). In what ways does it still affect your life?

Q&A:

1. Have you ever seen the movie "The Passion of the Christ?"
2. What stuck out to you the most?
3. Do you ever think about the affects that this event had on history? What are some of those affects?

Out Loud:

I Cor. 1:18 and I Cor. 2:6-8

As you look through the word of God, you will see three major aspects of the cross that we must seek to understand:

- A). **The initial work of the cross**(Colossians 2:13-14)
This speaks of Righteousness (in right standing with God). . . Because of Christ and His cross, we are now found "not guilty. The blood that Jesus spilled on the cross is what destroyed the evidence that was designed to accuse us.
- B). **The continued work of the cross**(Gal. 6:14)
This speaks of sanctification (to be set apart). Here we see that the cross symbolizes our death to temptations that the world has to offer us. This crucifixion of our desires must take place every day of our lives.
- C). **The finished work of the cross** (Hebrews 12:1-2)
This speaks of two things: It speaks of our total deliverance from any bondage of sin (lying, lust, profanity) that slows us down. It also gives us a picture of what Jesus' joy consisted of. It is you and I being brought to heaven as a result of God's plan of the cross.

Call to Change:

Give a call for salvation, and pray that each would have a true understanding of what salvation is and how to receive it.