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Good Friday Service

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1 Corinthians 1:18 (NIV): For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

1 Corinthians 1:22-24 (NIV 1984): Jews demand miraculous signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

Galatians 6:14 (NIV): May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

Boast #1: Because of the cross, I have complete forgiveness.

Hebrews 9:22 (NIV): ...without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness.

Colossians 2:13-14 (NIV 1984): ...He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the written code, with its regulations, that was against us and stood opposed to us; he took it away, nailing it to the cross.

Boast #2: Because of the cross, I have complete acceptance with God!

1 John 3:1 (NIV 1984): How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!...

Ephesians 2:15-16 (NIV 1984): ...His [Jesus' purpose at the cross] purpose was to create in himself one new man out of the two [Jews and Gentiles], thus making peace, and in this one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility.

Boast #3: Because of the cross, I have complete victory over the enemy!

Colossians 2:15 (NIV): And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

Revelation 12:11 (NIV 1984): "They overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony..."

Boast #4: Because of the cross, I have complete confidence in my eternal future!

John 3:16 (NIV): "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."