



KEY SCRIPTURES

- **Romans 3:25-26 (NIV)**
- **Romans 5:8 (NIV)**
- **Hebrews 10:19-23 (NIV)**

VIDEO

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BIG IDEA

WHY DID JESUS DIE?

This is a crucial question for believers. The Cross is at the center of our faith. If there is no cross, there is no Christianity.

1. To show the Justice of God.

Romans 3:25-26 (New International Version, NIV)

2. To show us the love of God.

Romans 5:8 (NIV)

3. To show us the faithfulness of God.

Hebrews 10:19-23 (NIV)

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR US TODAY?

As believers, we are privileged to serve a just, loving, and faithful God. He truly is all that we need.

- When I observe injustice in my life, I can remind myself that when it's all said and done, the Justice of the Lord will be satisfied. No wrong will go unpunished.
- When I look at myself in the mirror and see all my sins and shortcomings, I can remind myself that God's love for me is unconditional, and nothing in all of creation can separate me from His love.
- When I find myself in moments of fear and uncertainty, I can remind myself that the Lord is ALWAYS faithful to His word.

What a beautiful opportunity we have as believers to find complete rest and security in the character of God displayed in the Cross of Christ!

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Why did Jesus have to die?
2. What does the cross teach me about God?
3. Meditate briefly on the love of God displayed in Christ Jesus. What emotions does the sacrificial love of God evoke in you?
4. In what areas of my life can I stand fully assured in the faithfulness of God?
5. How can I honor the death of Jesus on the cross in my daily life?

PRAYER/REFLECTION

Take a moment to pray for one another's needs and reflect on the impact of this study on our everyday way of living.