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SACRED SYMBOLS OF THE CROSS

INT: Ecc. 1:9. Comforting & reassuring to Christians!

OLD IDEAS: God is dead, Bible is irrelevant, Church out of date etc. "Same old thing!!!"

CROSS of Christ no more controversial today than it was in A.D. 60 when Paul wrote

* I Cor. 1:18-21.

THE CROSS: A symbol of things SACRED or SHAMEFUL

I. UNBELIEVERS: shame, reproach and disgrace. *Summary: worship of the Cross means did things to with people.*

A. * Deut. 21:22-23. A curse of God!

B. * Isa. 53:3-5. Hard to see a Savior here.

C. * Heb. 12:1-2. Jesus ignored the Shame!!!

D. Three reasons the Unbelievers DID not and DO not see the sweet & sacred symbol of the cross

* I Cor. 1:20-26. Reject: Mk. 16:15-16!!!

* THE DREADFUL & SHAMFUL SCENE: *Matt. 27:35-45. Hurt!!! *11:02*

II. CHRISTIANS: sacrifice, security and salvation!!

A. Sacrifice: John 3:16. John 10:18.

God's love PERMITTED the cross. Lamb of God.

B. Security: I John 3:16.

We stand securely in the shadow of that Cross today--free from sin. What see??*Ill. POEM.

Same as ELIZABETH C. CLEPHANE in her song:

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus". P. 418. Read!!!*

C. Salvation: * Rom. 5:1-9. Jesus gave MUCH, & asks MUCH of us. comparatively.

Ill. THE CROSS WAS HIS OWN. *Poem. *11:10*

INV: The CROSS OF CHRIST is God's symbol of love, mercy, compassion, and salvation. *Sweetest story ever told!*

The Christian's CROSS is HIS sign of love, faith, humility and obedience.

Explains: Matt. 16:24-27.*Note carefully !!

JESUS PLEADS WITH YOU TO:

1. Come stand beneath the Cross of Jesus.

2. Come take your stand for God.

3. Come stand with God's children for all that is FINE, HIGH and HOLY to God!!