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World in Changes The Cross

Genesis 2

⁷ then the LORD God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature. ⁸ And the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and there he put the man whom he had formed. ⁹ And out of the ground the LORD God made to spring up every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life was in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

God created Adam and Eve to be “free” beings, able to make decisions, able to choose between good and evil. In order for Adam and Eve to truly be free, they had to have a choice...Gotquestions.org

John 1

¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was in the beginning with God. ³ All things were made through Him, and without Him was not any thing made that was made. ⁴ In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.

John 3 JB Philips

19-21 This is the judgment—that light has entered the world and men have preferred darkness to light because their deeds are evil. Anybody who does wrong hates the light and keeps away from it, for fear his deeds may be exposed. But anybody who is living by the truth will come to the light to make it plain that all he has done has been done through God.”

Judgment – a separating; a trial; a decision

John 3

¹⁴ And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes in him may have eternal life

The Cross of Christ

1) The Cross Is Personal

John 14

⁶ Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

Ezekiel 18

³² For I take no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the Sovereign LORD. Repent and live!

2) The Cross Is Love

Romans 5

⁸ but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Hebrews 12

² looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross

3) The Cross Is Life

Matthew 16

²⁴ Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ²⁵ For whoever would save his life^[g] will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

Galatians 2

²⁰ I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

John 15

¹³ Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.

Revelation 2

⁷ Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God.

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