

Testimony of the Cross
“Greatest Act of Love”
John 3:16/15:13/1 John 4:7-12

What does the Cross mean to you?

- A symbol, a charm, a cause?
- A stumbling block, foolishness?

The Testimony of Paul – The Power of God

“For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.” (1 Corinthians 1:18)

The Testimony of Peter – The Forgiveness of God

“For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit” (1 Peter 3:18)

The Testimony of Scripture

“But God demonstrated His love for us in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.” (Romans 5:8)

Background

- Another fisherman
- The beloved disciple
- Eyewitness to the cross
- A trusted friend

The Cross motivated by genuine Love (John 3:16)

1. It must be _____
2. It is _____

The Cross illustrated genuine Love (John 15:13)

1. It is _____
2. It is _____

The Cross made manifest genuine Love (1 John 4:7-12)

- It is from God
- It is _____
- It is _____
- It is _____
- It is _____
- It is a work in _____