

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

Why?

Why is word of the cross of Christ so powerful?

What makes what Jesus did on the cross so important?

1. Because of who Jesus was!

2. Because of what the cross does!

<u>WHO!</u>

For in Him all the fullness of Deity dwells in bodily form, Col. 2:9a

And He is the image of the invisible God, Col. 1:15a

Tempted in every way as we are, yet without sin. Hebrews 4:15

And He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature. Heb. 1:3a



The cross draws Men!

And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself... Jn. 12:32

What!

2. The cross deals with the sin problem!

Having canceled out the certificate of debt consisting of decrees against us and which was hostile to us; and He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross. Col. 2:14

<u>What!</u>

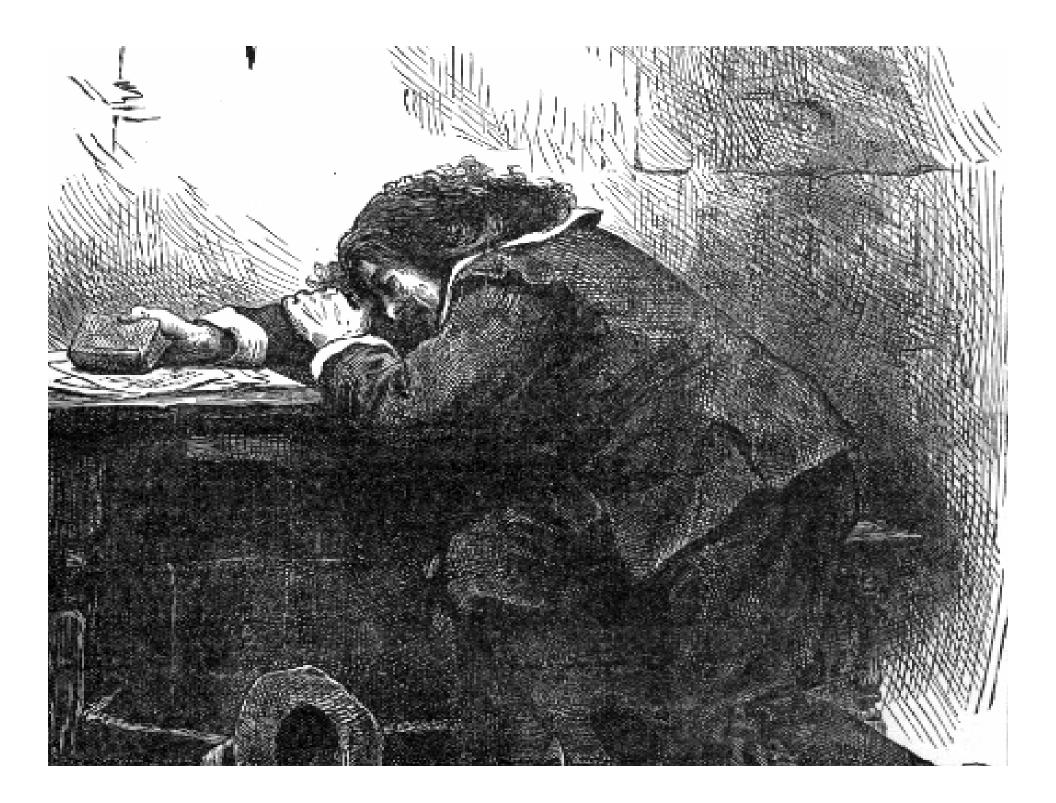
But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world. Gal. 6:14

What!

3. The cross opens heaven!

No man cometh unto the Father except by me. John 14:5-6

And through Him to reconcile all things to Himself, having made peace through the blood of His cross. Col. 2:20a







If the cross does so much for you....just wait until you see what the resurrection does....Happy Easter!