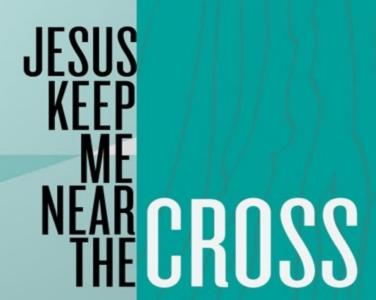
JESUS KEEP NEAR CROSS

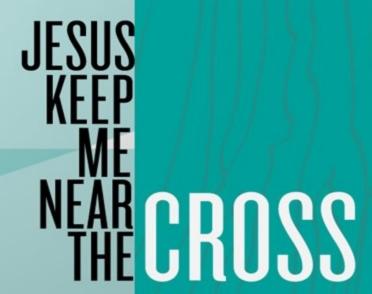
At the cross, I am reminded that God keeps His promises.



"I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

Genesis 3:15

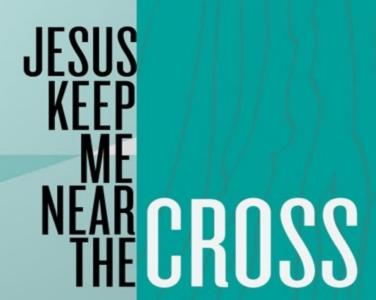
At the cross, I am assured that God loves me.



"7For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—8but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

Romans 5:7-8

At the cross, I am convinced that God can forgive me.



"In [Christ] we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace. . . ."

Ephesians 1:7

"... and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility."

Ephesians 2:16

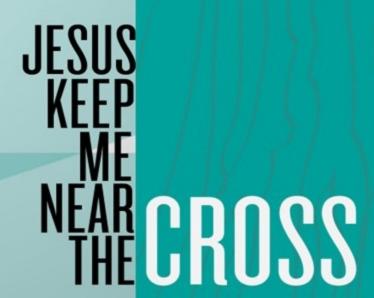
"For in [Christ] all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross."

Colossians 1:19-20

"And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross."

Colossians 2:13-14

At the cross, I am challenged to live a selfless, holy life.



"Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me."

Matthew 16:24

"I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."

Romans 12:1-2

"We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin."

Romans 6:6

"I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me."

Galatians 2:20

"And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires."

Galatians 5:24

"But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world was crucified to me, and I to the world."

Galatians 6:14

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