What’s the big deal about the cross?

Welcome

**VIDEO**

We will sing together. Read Scripture together. Take Communion together.

Luke 23:44 It was now about the sixth hour, and darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour,(NIV)

Luke 23:45 for the sun stopped shining. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two.(NIV)

Luke 23:46 Jesus called out with a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit." When he had said this, he breathed his last.(NIV)

Luke 23:47 The centurion, seeing what had happened, praised God and said, "Surely this was a righteous man."(NIV)

**Jesus Messiah**

**INTERACTION**

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Colossians 2:13 When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your sinful nature, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins,(NIV)

Colossians 2:14 having canceled the written code, with its regulations, that was against us and that stood opposed to us; he took it away, nailing it to the cross.(NIV)

Colossians 2:15 And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.(NIV)

**AMAZING GRACE (MY CHAINS ARE GONE)**

**INTERACTION**

What is the purpose of the cross?

Colossians 1:18 And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy.(NIV)

Colossians 1:19 For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him,(NIV)

Colossians 1:20 and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.(NIV)

**INTERACTION**

Tell us what is like to be reconciled to God. Tell us your story.

**INTERNAL QUESTION**

What needs to be reconciled in your life right now? What sin are you hiding… let it be nailed to the cross.

**Lead me to the Cross**

**Communion**

**Prayer**