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EPHESIANS 5:1-2

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I CORINTHIANS 1:17-18, 23

For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to *preach the gospel*—not with wisdom and eloquence, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power. For *the message of the cross* is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God...

...but *we preach Christ crucified*: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God

PHILIPPIANS 3:18

... as I have often told you before and now tell you again even with tears, many live as enemies of the cross of Christ.

I CORINTHIANS 2:2

I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified.

COLOSSIANS 1:19-20

For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, 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.

HEBREWS 12:1-3

And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

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The Gospel is all about a God whose character is defined by the cross redeeming a people by means of the cross to be transformed into the image of the cross and to invite others to share in the glory of the cross.

II CORINTHIANS 5:13-14

If we are “out of our mind,” as some say, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. For Christ’s love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died.