

## Easter 2020 | Corinthians 15:1-11, 20-28. Nailed

### [Slide 1-Nailing Jesus to the Cross]

“You put Jesus on the cross.”

“No! I dot not put Him on the cross!”

I was indignant. I was incensed. I was angry!

I was in denial. I had put de nail.

My brother was shaing with me about our common faith in Jesus during a visit to his home. During the discipleship, the talking about our faith and Bible reading and prayer, He shared with me that I had put Jesus on the cross.

!! Me! A good boy, me, trying to follow Jesus, live a holy life, be the best I could, I, !! Had put Jesus on the cross.

I did not convict the falsely accused, innocent man. I did not whip and beat Him. I did not drive nails into His hands and feet, nailing Him to a cross of timbers. I did not hoist Him up to humiliate and exterminate this challenge to earthly religious authority.

### [Slide 2 Jesus Teaching]

Jesus came to renew Father’s people. Religion had lost its heart and was going through the motions on the surface, but not giving themselves truly to God. They tithed, prayed, sacrificed—but God wanted their heart’s devotion. He wanted intimate relationship. Love.

The people were nominal in devotion, surface sliders. Doing the minimum to get by. Satisfying the legal requirements to be safe. Then they gave their hearts to sin: to lust, to other religions’s prostitutes, to repossessing widow’s houses when their men died and they could not pay the rent. They gave their hearts and

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I want you to tithe because you trust God, because you want to honor Him, because you *want* to give—freely, lovingly—to be devoted to God. Give offerings above that in love to assist and spread the Gospel.

I want you to pray because you want relationship and are in relationship with God. You want to talk to Daddy—perfect heavenly Father. You want to hang out with Jesus and Holy Spirit and Daddy. They model family and relationship for us. Dive into it!

### [Slide 3 Carrying His Cross]

I want you to sacrifice like Jesus did: Men for your spouses. Parents for your children. Christians for the church. Church for God. God for the world.

Let's ask God what to do and what to say. Then, let's do it. Why? He is worthy!!

Jesus came to earth. We celebrate that each Christmas.

He grew up and taught us to live godly, submitted to Father. We celebrate that each and every Sunday.

### [Slide 4 The Empty Tomb]

On Easter we celebrate Jesus rising from the dead, ministering on earth and then rising again—this time to heaven—to make continual intercession for us in the throne room of heaven at the right hand, in authority from Father, at Father's side.

Plead the Blood.

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See, the work had been done. Are you accepting what Jesus has done for you? Are you admitting your need for Jesus and His work? His continuing labor? His gift of intercession? His constant performing of an intervention? His miracle of resurrection? He makes All Things New.

If you admit you need Him. If you ask Him into your heart. If you turn your life over to Him. If you let Him be your leader. He will make you a new creation.

### [Slide 5 Superman]

“But I don’t need Jesus.”

So, you’re from Krypton, like Superman? You have super powers. You can fly. You can leap tall buildings in a single bound. Bullets bounce off of you. You spend your time defeating villains, saving those in danger, and writing articles in your spare time.

### [Slide 6]

I thought I did not send Jesus to the cross too. I knew He was my savior, but I did not think it was my fault. My selfishness, my choosing wrong and hurtful things, my self-centered life are the reasons Jesus came to earth to teach, to perform miracles and to die to pay the price for our collective and individual sins. We all have sinned. I pray we sin no more!

We have told lies, stolen a pack of gum, put other things before God or in His rightful place. Why is it His rightful place?

### [Slide 7]

God created the world and instead of being distant, He wants a healthy relationship with you and me. Despite our wrongs,

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mistakes and downright evil, He wants to save us, clean us up and help us not make mistakes again. But its our choice! He does not force us. We get to choose. Just like we choose every day to do evil or to do good. We can choose to line up with Him each day. Each second of every day. But its grace filled. We cannot earn it. It is a gift from God, freely given, freely accepted. Do you accept the work of Christ on the cross? He loves us and wants us. He is worthy of following. He is a servant leader.

[Slide 8 Scales of Justice]

The price is blood to cover sins. This is an ancient law. Israel would pay a price for sins by bringing doves, or sheep, or cattle and offering them to atone for sins. These covered you until you sinned again.

[Slide 9 Jesus the Passover Lamb]

Jesus came to teach and to love. He also came to be the sacrifice for those who receive Him and His atoning work. Passover was an event in Hebrew history. As we are a continuation of that history, we celebrate Jesus as the Passover Lamb. At the original Passover, the Jewish people put the blood on the door posts of their houses and the Angel of Death passed over their houses instead of entering in. The occult Egyptians who trucked with demons called Osirus, Ra and others, lost their first-born sons. Because of obedience, God passed over the houses covered by the blood of the Passover lamb. Jesus is that Passover Lamb for us.

[Slide 10 Jesus in the Air]

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He was innocent, never having sinned. But He willingly was punished in our place. He was crucified in our place. Then God the Father Resurrected His Son.

Jesus is the example, the first fruits of what is going to happen when Jesus comes again. Until then He is our hope, because He will come again—He has said so.

This Word can save you too. Just ask Jesus into your heart. Admit you have sinned and accept a savior. Put yourself under the Blood of Jesus. I plead the Blood of Jesus over you.

[Slides Bible]

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[Slide after Bible slides—Jesus beckoning us]

Choose life in Him today. Right Now! Ask Him in. Ask Him back in.

[Slide Upcoming Online Events]

Every Week:

Prayer

Fridays at 11 on Zoom

Meeting ID# 963-781-9672 (ask Pastor for password)

Saturdays at 10am Zoom

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Men

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Sundays at 4pm on Zoom

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Worship

Sundays 10:30 am

Facebook Live

Bible Study

Wednesdays at 7pm

Facebook Live.

Fellowship

Tuesday at 5:30 pm on Zoom

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