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**May 4, 2025**

Prelude

Call to Worship

Worship Through Singing

*Christ Is Mine Forevermore  
(#304) Like A River Glorious*

Family Time

Prayer

Worship Through Giving

Communion

Worship Through Singing

*His mercy Is More*

Message from God's Word

Closing Song

*What A Day That Will Be*

Closing Prayer

Postlude

**Ushers for today:** Cliff Howard and Ron Straub  
**Ushers for next week:** Don Bong and Ron Straub  
**Sound System for today:** David Schneider  
**Sound System for next week:** Reuel Loritz  
**Church cleaning this week:** Jan, Jennifer and Anita

### Activities this week

Today	9:00am	Worship Service
	10:20am	Sunday School
Monday	9:30am	Ladies' Prayer at Birr's
Wednesday	9:00am	Jail Ministry
Saturday	8:30am	Men's Breakfast

### Announcements

**International Worker this month: Rob and Heidi Scott in Kosovo**  
*All funds given to missions this month will go directly to support them and their ministries unless otherwise designated.*

**Today in Sunday School:** From the video series from J. Warner Wallace: The Killer Inside (You were created for redemption).

**Next Ladies' Prayer:** Tomorrow at 9:30am at Birr's. If you have requests you want us to pray for, let Jean know.

**Men's Breakfast:** Saturday at 8:30am. We are doing a study of the book of Jude. Contact Pastor if you can come and will bring something.

**Assisted Listening Devices** are available at the information center. Contact sound booth personnel with any questions.

**Children's Church** is for children age 4 through 6th grade. Children can leave before the message.

**VBS: July 21-25 from 9am to Noon**



- ♦ Trail mix recipe: grind up grasshoppers, mix with water and cornmeal, then pan fry. Ground grasshopper cakes—yum!
- ♦ Ooh-la-la! Pioneer boys would rub butter in their hair to prepare for Saturday night dances.

## Been Thinking About the Cross

Martin DeHaan

Without the cross, the Bible is no comfort. What could be more threatening than to read hundreds of pages of legal requirements, every line of which exposes our personal failures? What could be more discouraging than to read page after page of instructions, all of which are beyond our ability to follow?

Without the cross, the Bible is a dangerous book. Every page is like a many-sided razor blade. After leafing through the writings of Moses or the teachings of Jesus, our hands should be covered with blood. Every principle cuts deep into the flesh, which has so consistently fallen short of God's unreachable standards.

Without the cross, the Bible destroys me. I read it for strength, but every statement shows my weakness. In principle, I've broken every law in the Book. The worse of my efforts are like federal offenses, each of which demands the death penalty. The best of my own efforts turn out to be no better. Everything is polluted by my own selfishness. Nothing is clean. I have not loved as Christ loved. I haven't obeyed as He obeyed. I've never served as He served. I've never worshiped or prayed or listened or talked as He did. All of my own best efforts really are like filthy rags. (Isaiah 64:6).

But praise God for the cross! Every sin is paid for! The cross has turned the Bible from a hopeless indictment into an endless source of wisdom, counsel, and strength. The cross has turned the Bible from a warrant for our arrest into a statement of our freedom in Christ. Because of the cross, James could call the Word of God the perfect law of liberty! Praise God for the cross! Without the cross, we'd all be dead.

### PSALM 40:1-2

I waited *patiently* for the LORD;  
*He* turned to me and *heard* my cry.  
*He* *lifted* me out of the slimy pit,  
out of the mud and mire;  
*He* set my feet on a *rock*  
and gave me a firm place  
to *stand*.

