

The Beautiful Terrible Cross

I Peter 3:18

"It is one of the shortest and simplest, and yet one of the richest summaries given in the New Testament of the meaning of the cross of Jesus."

- J. M. Ross

I) An atonement for sin.



"The once-for-all offering of Christ stands in contrast to the annual sacrifice of the Jewish High Priest on the Day of Atonement and portrays the absolute sufficiency of His atoning work. Christ's suffering centered on the mass of human sins in a way that the suffering of mortal men could never do." – D. Hiebert

I) An <u>atonement</u> for sin.

 What provides or leads to reconciliation to God.

II) A substitute for sinners.



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Heart of the Gospel.

III) A means of <u>access</u> to God.

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He is the way.

IV) What came after.



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· He is the resurrection.