An Unprecedented Story

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Questions: What has your experience been lately with these "unprecedented times"? What is a "Well that's a new one" experience you have had?

Read 1 Corinthians 1:23

Questions: Compared to the "other stories" explaining the world, how does worshiping a crucified person measure up? What is your reaction to the fact that Jesus was cruelly and brutally crucified, especially if you don't or didn't know anything about it?

> Christian's say that the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus is the most important historical event that ever happened.

Jesus didn't come to teach us how to live a better life and be better people. He was born to die. **Read Philippians 2:7-8**

"No friendship in the world would last a day if we could see each other's thoughts." Rebecca McLaughlin

Question: What are some of the consequences in your relationships that would happen if others could know what you are thinking all the time?

Sacrifices in the Old Testament teach us the seriousness of sin. Being good is not good enough.

Read Romans 6:23: Genesis 2:16-17

We can't afford to pay the price for our sin. The penalty for human sin is human death.

Jesus did something unprecedented. He paid the price.

Read Mark 10:45; 1 Peter 2:24; 1 Peter 3:18; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Ephesians 1:7; Matthew 10:38-39

Questions: Do you believe The Story? What is the appropriate response to Jesus based on 1 Peter 2:24 and Matthew 10:38-39?

