

Volume 1 – Day 4: Forgiveness in Every Story

God's written history, the Holy Bible, includes nearly every kind of good and bad scenario possible in human experience. The whole story has been told, so that we can see that relationship is the most important thing to both God and His highest creation, mankind. When you look closely at each story, the unfailing love of God can be seen and with it the enormity of grace both in size and frequency which God expresses to us, His children. If there is any meaning at all, in the story of Jesus, His birth, His life, His death, His resurrection and His return to the Father, it is this. "Greater love has no one than this: that a man lay down his life for his friend."

The whole object of the Cross being the final event in Jesus' life, when He deserved the best end, was that God even made provision in Himself, to provide an innocent man who offered to take the penalty of another man's criminality, (that is yours and mine), so that justice was served on behalf of the victims of our crimes while we ourselves were released from that punishment. [The ultimate irony of all time was that a violent offender, Barabbas, was set free at the same time and in the same pronouncement of judgment when a completely innocent man, Jesus of Nazareth, was condemned to death.] What enormous love God must have for us in order to watch His Son suffer the most inhumane of all punishments devised by human kind to pay the penalty we deserved.

My Confirming Scriptures:

My Aligning Experiences: