



**March 20-26, 2016**

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**Lenten Series:**

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Complete Sufficiency of the Cross of Jesus.***

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**RELATED BIBLE PASSAGES FOR THE COMING WEEK** [The Bible readings this week are vignettes about people experiencing victory over sin through Christ.]

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*Tuesday, Mar. 22* - **Luke 7:36-50** [The question in this story wasn't whether the woman was guilty of sin. The Pharisees knew that she was. So did Jesus. The question was whether she could be forgiven. The Pharisees thought not, condemning her. But Jesus saw her repentant heart and assured her that she was forgiven.]

*Wednesday, Mar. 23* – **Philippians 3:4-11** [Paul remembers his proud past. If anyone had reason to strut their spiritual purity it was Paul. Yet he came to see that his only boast could be in Christ and His righteousness. Delivered from the sin of pride, Paul with a new heart found immeasurable treasure in Christ.]

*Thursday, Mar. 24* – **Luke 5:1-11** [Everything within Peter must have wanted to rebel against Jesus' request to "put out into deep water..." Experience and feelings demanded a "no" response; rebellion. But Peter obeyed Jesus' word and came to trust God's word above his experience when the two conflicted.]

*Friday, Mar. 25* - **Luke 23:32-43** [On this Good Friday, we remember that Jesus prayed that we may be forgiven of our sins and then died in our place so that such forgiveness could happen. May we, like the repentant thief, continue to set our eyes on Jesus as our Lord and Savior.]

*Saturday, Mar. 26* – **Luke 8:2, John 20:10-18** [It is remarkable to think that Mary Magdalene, once so hopelessly in bondage to evil spirits, would be a witness to the resurrection of Christ before even the closest disciples. But that is what happens when Christ's power sets us free. We are aware that not even the grave can hold Him. He is Lord over all.]



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