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Brothers;

This week I hope to bring together (sum up) what we have been looking at for weeks.

- 1. The preaching of Jesus was describing a person - a type of ethic - a way of living*
 - a. The Beatitudes are fleshed out in the whole sermon on the Mount*

Matthew 7:28 When Jesus had finished these words, the crowds were amazed at his teaching; for he was teaching them as one having authority, and not as their scribes.

 - b. The Lord's prayer is foundational on "Hallowed be Your Name" - The center of a believers' life*
 - c. Philippians 2:5-11 is the whole gospel in a song*
- 2. Jesus lived out that life - the heart of it was his crucifixion - God was presenting himself - The Godself*
- 3. All of this centers upon our understanding on the cross*
 - a. Every believer and ever community (church) must choose between the Theology of the Cross and The Theology of Glory*
 - b. The cross tests all reality and truth*

1 Corinthians 1:23 We preach about a crucified Christ, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles. 1 Corinthians 2:8 None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory! Galatians 2:20 I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. Galatians 5:24 Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.
- 4. We move to Easter - as disciples of a crucified and risen MASTER*