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- The cross is the _____ of God.

“I had motives for not wanting the world to have meaning, consequently, assumed the world had none. I was able without any difficulty to find satisfying reasons it had none.”

“The philosopher who finds no meaning in life doesn’t concern himself primarily with metaphysics. He is also concerned to prove that there is no valid reason why he should not do what he really wants to do. For me, the philosophy of meaningless was essentially an instrument of liberation.” (sexual) —Aldous Huxley

Galatians 6:14 May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

¹⁵ *Neither circumcision nor uncircumcision means anything; what counts is a new creation.*

¹⁶ *Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule...*

1 Timothy 1:15 Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners--of whom I am the worst.

Key:

Page 1: Predicament. Far worse. Solution. Don’t know. Page 2: intuitive. Cultural. Politically. Unwelcome. Source. Page 3: Wisdom. Sacrifice. Page 4: Power.

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The Ridiculous Cure

The Cross of Christ—part 2

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Romans 8:26 In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness.

The cross of Christ tells me...

- We have a _____ we don’t know we have.
- Our predicament is _____ than we imagine.
- There is a _____ to our human dilemma.
- There is a solution we _____ we need.

1 Corinthians 1:18 For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

1 Corinthians 1:19 For it is written: "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise; the intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate."²⁰ Where is the wise man? Where is the scholar? Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world?

²¹ *For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not know him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe.*

1 Corinthians 1:22 Jews demand miraculous signs and Greeks look for wisdom,

²³ *but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles,*
