



Volcanoes are amazing. We watch the footage and are in awe of the shear power of an eruption. We don't fully appreciate the pent up pressure under the surface that is the reason for an explosion. For most of us, when pressure comes into our lives we don't respond with grace, but we do vent and explode. On the cross, at his death Jesus responded with great grace for all of us- and we are glad he did.

Theology point- "propitiation."-Jesus' death is the appeasement, satisfaction that was required to stem God's wrath towards me, and provide the grace to forgive me"

Reminder- "But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (*Romans 5:8*).

**JESUS EXTENDS** \_\_\_\_\_

Read *Luke 23:32-34*

**JESUS FORGIVES, NOT** \_\_\_\_\_

Corrie ten Boom- "*Forgiveness is an act of the will, and the will can function regardless of the temperature of the heart.*"

Do I agree or disagree with this quote? Why or why not? How does it apply to me?

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**JESUS KEEPS HIS** \_\_\_\_\_

Read *Luke 23:39-43*

**JESUS ALWAYS FOLLOWS** \_\_\_\_\_

"God never fails anyone. It is he who called you to belong to his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord" (*1 Corinthians 1:9*).

How can knowing the truth that God never fails help me today?

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**JESUS** \_\_\_\_\_ **HIMSELF TO GOD**

Read *Luke 23:44-46*

**GOD NEVER** \_\_\_\_\_

*Hebrews 10:19*- ""We have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body."

God, in his grace has followed through to ensure our forgiveness.

**THIS WEEK**

- What do I need to learn? Apply? In my own life from how Jesus responded on the cross to how I respond when under pressure?
  
- Have I responded to Jesus' gift of grace to me?