

“I believe in the Crucifixion of Christ”

1 Corinthians 2:1-5

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1. What ancient History thought of the Cross

- Crucifixion was a form of capital punishment in which the victim was attached to a wooden cross and left to die

2. What ancient Romans thought of the Cross

- Crucifixion was reserved for either rebellious slaves, the lowest criminals, or humiliated foes

3. What ancient Jews thought of the Cross

- *Deuteronomy 21:23*
- The gentile contempt for the crucified was exceeded only by the Jewish belief that the victim was actually under God's curse

4. What ancient Christians thought of the Cross

- Paul understood the cultural distaste for the Cross yet understood his responsibility to proclaim gospel truth

People today still reject the gospel. In spite of guaranteed offence, the church cannot change its message. We must remain “cross centered” not “man centered.” What do you think of the Cross?