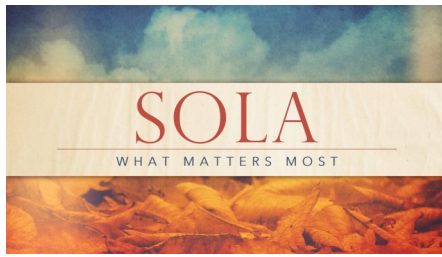


SOLA - WHAT MATTERS MOST:

The Cross Alone

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Today, we celebrate a moment in time when a man with a message changed the world. In 1517, Martin Luther gave voice to concerns by posting his 95 Theses (against indulgences) on the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg on October 31. His intention was to bring to light the fact that the people were being led into false belief in a practice called indulgences. What happened changed the world in profound ways.

“Unless I am convicted by Scripture and plain reason – I do not accept the authority of popes and councils, for they have contradicted each other – my conscience is captive to the Word of God. I cannot and will not recant anything, for to go against conscience is neither right nor safe. Here I stand, I cannot do otherwise. God help me.” – Martin Luther, Diet of Worms, April 1521

“For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved is the power of God.” - 1 Corinthians 1:18

My Next Step(s):

- I will bring my suffering to Jesus—He shares in my suffering.
- I will bring my sin to Jesus—He forgives my sin.
- I will not fear death—Jesus has conquered death on the cross!
- I will find hope in the cross of Christ—for through it I have eternal life.

Memory Verse: “For I resolved to know nothing ... except Jesus Christ and him crucified.” - 1 Corinthians 2:2, NIV

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