

The One Thing: God is FOR You

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Romans 5:6-8

6 You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. 7 Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous man, though for a good man someone might possibly dare to die. 8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

It is false to believe that...

1. **GOD IS LOOKING FOR A REASON TO PUNISH US**

Rom 5:6

6 You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly.

Luke 23:34

Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."

It is false to believe that...

2. **OUR GOOD WORKS EARN GOD'S FAVOR**

Eph 2:8-9

8 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith — and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— 9 not by works, so that no one can boast.

The truth is that...

1. **GOD LOVES US AND IS FOR US**

Rom 5:8

8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

The truth is that...

2. **GOD PROVED IT ON THE CROSS**

1 Cor 1:18

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.

John 3:16-17

16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. 17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.