



THINKING NOTHING OF IT

The Cross Involves Multiple Avenues of Study

- The purpose of Jesus dying upon the cross
- The prophecies that tell of that event
- The historical account of His death on the cross
- The physical trauma of His death
- The spiritual impact His death had
- The hope that His death declares
- The message of the cross
- The power of His blood to cleanse
- The central characters around the cross
- How the cross changed lives
- The similarities between His cross and our cross
- The symbolism of a sacrificial lamb and the cross
- The cross wasn't the end of the story
- The burden of carrying sins on the cross
- How the cross unites
- What the cross did to Jesus
- What the cross did to the Father
- The miracles around the cross
- The meaning of the curtain in the temple splitting

- A. One aspect we don't often mention is the SHAME of the Cross
- There was a huge emotional humiliation tied to the cross

Hebrews 12:2 “fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God”

- NIV: Scorning the shame
- NLT: Disregarding its shame
- CEB: Ignoring its shame
- Phillips: Thought nothing of it

1. The shame of the _____ itself (Gal 3:13)
2. The shame of the forced _____ (Jn 19:23-24)
3. The shame of being _____ among _____ (Lk 23:33)
4. The shame of what was _____ to Him
5. The shame of the _____ (Mk 15:36)
6. The shame of being _____ (Mt 26:31)

B. Jesus thought _____ of the shame (No big deal)

It wasn't something that _____ Him

It wasn't something that made Him _____ His plans

It wasn't something to make Him _____

C. When we consider the humiliation that Jesus went through:

1. It ought to make us _____ Him even more
2. It ought to compel us to stand _____ and _____
- it should give us a spiritual _____ (Rom 1:16; 1 Tim 1:18; Acts 20:22-24)
3. It ought to show us how to keep our _____ on the _____ and not be _____

Stop trying to make Christianity fit in with the _____. It doesn't.
Stop trying to make the _____ less offensive. You can't.
Stop trying to make the church like all the other _____. It's not.