1 Cor. 2:2 For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified.

Galatians 6:14 May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

Mark 10:45 For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

1 Peter 1:18-19 For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, 19 but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.

Icebreaker

Do you have a favorite family metaphor? Ie. (when disgusted my mom use to say, "that is enough to gag a maggot")

Conversation Starters (Pick one or two topics or questions to begin, you will not have time for all the questions.)

1. Have you ever asked, why did Jesus have to die?

2. What is the hardest part of the crucifixion of Jesus for you to wrap your mind around?

3. **Watch Alice's teaching 5:28- 6:56** how does Alice's reminder not to divide the Trinity help you understand what happened on the cross?

4. How do you react to the statement, "The cross is the center of our faith."

5. **Watch Alice's teaching 6:57-10:09**. Have you ever thought of sin as both **Sin** - a destructive power and **sin** - the symptoms of that power, the misdeeds in our own life? What do you think of this concept? How do you see both Sin and sins at work in your life?

6. **Watch Alice's teaching 10:09 - 11:25** Why do you think word pictures or metaphors are sometimes more "true" than a bullet-point listing of facts?

7. **Watch Alice's teaching 14:09 -**   Does the ransom metaphor of what happened on the cross make sense to you? How is it the same or different from what you already thought about the cross? Why or why not? **Have someone read 1 Peter 18-19.**

8. **Have someone read Mark 10:45**. What does it look like to give your allegiance to God who paid your ransom, who opened the door to your prison cell?