

The Glory of the Cross

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The cross of Christ is a stumbling-block to unbelievers, but a source of salvation and life eternal for believers.

Scripture: Matthew 1:23, Mark 1:9, John 1:1, 1 Corinthians 1:23

Topics: "The Cross", "Divine Mission"

Description

Ignatius of Antioch preaches about the stumbling-block of the cross to unbelievers and the salvation it brings to believers. He emphasizes the Son of God's eternal existence, His miraculous conception by the Holy Ghost in the womb of Mary, fulfilling the prophecy of a virgin birth. Ignatius highlights Jesus' baptism by John as a confirmation of His divine mission.

Transcript

The cross of Christ is indeed a stumbling-block to those that do not believe, but to the believing it is salvation and life eternal. "Where is the wise man? where the disputer? " Where is the boasting of those who are called mighty? For the Son of God, who was begotten before time began , and established all things according to the will of the Father,

He was conceived in the womb of Mary, according to the appointment of God, of the seed of David, and by the Holy Ghost. For says [the Scripture], "Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and He shall be called Immanuel." He was born and was baptized by John, that He might ratify the institution committed to that prophet.

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