

Good morning beloved. There is one place where justice and mercy collide. The Cross of Christ. Looking into the scripture readings this morning, we will experience the divine tension therein. The dichotomy between God's wisdom -His law- and the (so-called) foolishness of the Cross.

*For the word of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but it is the power of God to us who are being saved. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and I will set aside the intelligence of the intelligent."*

*1 Corinthians 1:18-19 (CSB)*



With even just a quick read through of the Ten Commandments, any honest person would have to admit that they are, at the very least, good, solid practical advice. A wise way to conduct one's life. So, why do we so easily break them? Because we are sinners! Mankind has purposely (foolishly) traded life for death by rejecting God. But God, in all His divine wisdom and because of His great love for us, has given us Christ on the Cross. Justice and mercy collide. Hallelujah! Still, to people who do not know Jesus, this is absolute foolishness. But because of this, we rejoice my friends. And we, whether seen as fools or wise, share the Good News to the world around us! Amen.

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