

I love to tell the story of:
“THE GREATEST STORY EVER TOLD”
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TEXT: John 3:16

1. The **Bible** tells the greatest stories ever heard; but it takes all these stories together to tell THE STORY of what CHRIST did on the CROSS.
2. **Heaven** tells of the greatest splendor ever imagined.
3. **Hell** tells of the greatest horror that ever produced fear in a man.
4. This story involved the greatest number of people (the world).
5. It was 4000 years in the making. It is still being told.
6. It is the greatest love story ever told.
7. The putting of Christ to death was the greatest display of wickedness ever recorded in human history.

Romans 1:16-18

8. **THE GREATEST PROMISE ever given.....Gal. 3:8**
God promised that the heathen (lost people) would be justified by faith; by believing that the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ were for them.
9. **THE GREATEST LAW ever given.....Romans 3:19**
It condemned the whole world.
10. **THE GREATEST SON ever born was given.....1 John 4:9**
Still even today; the two greatest events of the year are Christmas & Easter.
The fulfillment of the Father’s promise was dependent upon the Son’s obedience to the Law. Even death.
11. **THE GREATEST EVENT in human history was the cross.**
 - John 14:6.....“I am the way, the truth, and the life”
 - John 8:12-18.....“I am the light of the world”
Christ testimony was rejected, but said that His Father would speak for Him.
 - John 8:26-28.....My Father will tell you who I am.
 - Matthew 27:45.....The Father says you are the light of the world.
The world became dark.
 - Matthew 27:51.....You are the way
The veil was torn from top to bottom
 - Matthew 27:52-53.....You are the resurrection and the life.

The Father’s testimony bears witness that Jesus was truly the Son of God.