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"Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die. So the crowd answered him, "We have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" So Jesus said to them, "The light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light." - John 12:27-36a (ESV)

Overview - The cross of Christ is our comfort and our courage.

- 1. The cross brings anguish for the Son.
- 2. The cross brings glory for the Father.
- 3. The cross brings judgment for the world.
- 4. The cross brings defeat for the ruler of this world.
- 5. The cross brings opportunity for all without distinction.
- 6. The cross brings confusion for those in darkness.
- 7. The cross brings adoption for those who believe.

