



FROM THE SHADOW OF THE CROSS

John 12: 27-33

THE AGONY OF THE CROSS

“Now my soul has become troubled; and what shall I say, ‘Father save me from this hour’? But for this purpose I came to this hour.”

- ***“troubled” (turasso)*** – to be shaken vigorously, violently agitated, deeply distressed
- **a constant ongoing struggle**

THE PURPOSE OF THE CROSS

“Father, glorify Your name.’ Then a voice came out of heaven: ‘I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again. So the crowd of people who stood by and heard it were saying that it thundered; others were saying, ‘An angel spoke to Him.’ Jesus answered and said, ‘This voice has not come for My sake, but for your sakes.’”

- **the purpose - God’s glory**

THE VICTORY OF THE CROSS

- **Victory over the “world”**
“Now judgment is upon this world”
- **Victory over Satan**
“now the ruler of this world will be cast out”
- **Victory in the salvation of the lost**
“And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to Myself.”

THE DECISION OF THE CROSS

“The crowd then answered Him, ‘We have heard out of the Law that the Christ is to remain forever; and how can you say, ‘The Son of Man must be lifted up’? Who is this Son of Man?’”

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