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- God cannot forgive sin just by saying: "I forgive." If he could, he would have done so. Do you imagine that God would ever have sent his only begotten Son to the cross if he could have forgiven the sin of men in any other way? (Martyn Lloyd-Jones)
- To create the heavens and the earth costs him no labor, no anguish; to take away the sin of the world costs him his own life-blood! (Lesslie Newbigin)
- As the flash of a volcano discloses for a few hours the elemental fires at the earth's centre, so the light on Calvary was the bursting forth through historical conditions of the very nature of (God). There was a cross in the heart of God before there was one planted on the green hill outside of Jerusalem. (C. A. Dinsmore)
- So I saw in my dream, that just as Christian came upon the cross, his burden loosed from off his shoulders, and fell from off his back; and began to tumble, and so continued to do till it came to the mouth of the sepulcher, where it fell in, and I saw it no more. (John Bunyan, *Pilgrim's Progress*)
- In paganism, man propitiates his gods, and religion becomes a form of commercialism and, indeed, of bribery. In Christianity, however, God propitiates his wrath by his own action. (J. I. Packer)
- The offering of Christ once made is that perfect redemption, propitiation, and satisfaction, for all the sins of the whole world, both original and actual; and there is none other satisfaction for sin, but that alone. (*The Thirty-Nine Articles of the Church of England. 1571*)
- This is the mystery of the riches of divine grace for sinners; for by a wonderful exchange our sins are now not ours but Christ's, and Christ's righteousness is not Christ's but ours. (Martin Luther)
- When a willing victim who had committed no treachery was killed in a traitor's stead, the Table would crack and Death itself would start working backwards." (C. S. Lewis. *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*)
- The only ultimate way to conquer evil is to let it be smothered within a willing, living human being. When it is absorbed there like blood in a sponge or a spear into one's heart, it loses its power and goes no further. (M. Scott Peck)
- Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon Thee?  
Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone Thee!  
Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied Thee;  
I crucified Thee. (Johann Heermann, 1630)