

CBC's Women's Ministry Bible Study Why I Am A Christian, John Stott, chapter 3 April 7, 2017

"Why am I a Christian? One reason is the cross of Christ. Indeed, I could never myself believe in God were it not for the cross. It is the cross that gives God his credibility." pp. 62-63

1. Read chapter three, "The Cross of Christ".

2. Stott listed three reasons from the Bible that Jesus went to the cross voluntarily and deliberately.

- + <u>Christ died to atone for our sin</u>. Do a word study for "atone". What does the statement "Christ died for our sin" mean to you?
- + <u>Christ died to reveal the character of God.</u> How is God's character revealed through his justice? How is God's character revealed through his love?
- + <u>Christ died to conquer the powers of evil.</u> How is Christ "the victor"?

3. Memorize Romans 5:8. *"But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us."*