



# LENT

## SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

The Axis of Love That Re-founds the World || Pastor Brian Zahnd || March 21, 2021

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1. Did you enjoy the subjects of civics, social studies, or history when you were in school? Why or why not?

2. Outside of the beauty of Jesus, where do you find love in our world?

Read John 12:31–33

3. Why is it important for us to reflect on what Jesus thought and said about his pending death?

4. What stands out to you the most about what Jesus said about his death?

- a. The crucifixion will judge the world.
- b. The crucifixion will cast out the ruler of the world.
- c. The crucifixion will draw the whole world to Christ.

5. What is significant about the story of Cain? What does the violent origin of human civilization say about our modern world?

6. How does Pilate define truth? Has anything changed among modern leaders of nations?

7. Pastor Brian said, “At the cross Jesus Christ re-founds the world around an axis of love expressed in forgiveness.” How does this inform our political imagination and political opinions?

8. What happens when we resist the gravity of God’s grace revealed in Jesus at the cross?

9. In what areas of your life do you find yourself tempted to resist God’s grace?

10. What can you do this week to open yourself more fully to the love of God?