The Execution Stake

When you know there is estrangement, you go to the person and do what you know is right to do in order that a wedge wouldn't be lodged in. But if you don't do anything and just let the thoughts and accusations build up, you have no chance. There is no other way possible to restore true unity. There is no other way. It's simple. We have to deny ourselves, pick up our cross, and go to that person and get things straightened out, and love that person.

It says in 1 Cor 1:18, "The execution stake is something special to those who are being saved, but those who are not being saved, it is foolishness." They don't understand the execution stake. But those who are being saved understand what the cross will do. The cross will go right there to the wedge that is coming between you, and you have to receive the message of the cross, the execution stake. So therefore you do what you have to do, you deny yourself, you execute yourself. What would keep you from going to that person and working out your differences, working out your problems you may think you're having with him, the accusations you may be entertaining in your mind.

It's an amazing thing. This is how we can make it to the end: we use the word of God. This is how we are a people. We just do it. We judge that thought. Crucify that part in you that entertains the accusations. Otherwise there would be clan wars, tribal wars, etc. We have to crucify the flesh.

Let's give thanks. We even have to be thankful for the virus. We have to be thankful for all things.