

## The Spirituality of the Cross

After a journey of years through a variety of religious experiences and frustrations with mysticism and eastern religions, liberal theology and social justice programs, and several branches of Christianity, Dr. Gene Veith found answers in Christianity and specifically with "the first evangelicals [Lutherans]."

For Veith, Christianity is not about a general vague force called God but about "God in the flesh and God on the cross" and why this matters in everyday life. It all "hinges around this one historical faith ... around this mystery of incarnation, atonement, redemption."

In *The Spirituality of the Cross*, the author discusses in detail the biblical views of "the first evangelicals," why and how they satisfy our deep hunger for the spiritual. He found this "framework big enough to embrace the whole range of human existence, a realistic spirituality."

Topics include

- the Word of God
- justification by faith
- means of grace
- worship
- theology of the cross
- vocation
- the two kingdoms and the church.