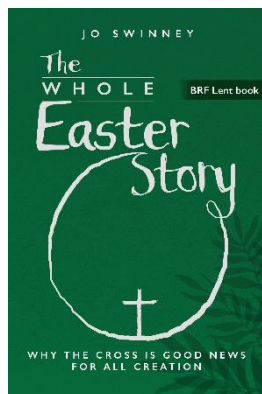


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The Whole Easter Why the cross is good news for all creation

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Jo writes: *'As a culture, my sense is we've allowed the prevailing emphasis on individualism to shape our understanding of the significance of Jesus' death and resurrection, such that we limit it to a matter of our personal relationship with God. I'm hoping that through this Lent, the whole story of God's redemptive purposes on the cross would captivate us and lead to a new way of living in his world in restored relationship with him, each other and all living things.'*

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