"Cross" Wire Object Lesson

The wire can be used in a number of illustrations. Here's just one for you.

"Nothing can overcome the power of the cross"

- Take the wire & straighten it out beforehand so that your audience does not see what the original shape was.
- When Christ went to the cross and died for our sins, he established something. Something that cannot be undone. Christ established the new covenant; the new binding agreement between God and man. This covenant was not sealed by the blood of a goat or sheep. It was made through the blood of Jesus.
- You see, there had to be an unblemished, perfect sacrifice made. And the only one to possibly accomplish that sacrifice was Jesus the Christ. His blood was shed for the sins of the people; for ALL people.
- By doing so, Christ paid our debt once and for all. There's no need to sacrifice any more goats, sheep, doves, cattle, or the like. It's done. It's paid. As Jesus said on the cross, "It's finished."
- So no matter what you do... (Bend the wire) no matter what your sin is... (Bend the wire all out of shape some more) ... Christ's act on the cross means there is nothing held against you.
- Hold up the wire to show everyone how contorted it is.
- While speaking, apply heat (approx. 115°F) to the wire in hot water or by using a hairdryer until it regains its original shape. We are saved by grace through faith in Christ Jesus, our debt...that debt that we could not possibly hope to repay...has been resolved for us.
- That's why no matter what happens, there is nothing...NOTHING that can overcome the power of the cross.

 Or should we say there is nothing that can overcome the power of the love that motivated our Savior to die on that cross.
- Romans 3:22-25a and/or Hebrews 10:4-10
- There is nothing that can overcome the power of that sacrifice on the cross.