

Redemption Through the Scriptures

Gaining a Clearer Picture of Christ and His Saving Work

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The Program



"I want that!"

The Purchase



"I'll pay for that!"

The Pleasure



"I'll enjoy that!"

What is the price for it?

How can you pay for it?

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The Origin of Death (Genesis 2:16-17)

"And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, 'From any tree of the garden you may eat freely; 17 but from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat from it you shall surely die' (Genesis 2:16-17).

♦ "In the day that you eat from it you shall surely die." Death closely follows man's disobedience.

♦ God's intention for the warning was to help man (2 Peter 3:9). (Why do we so quickly doubt the good intention of God's warnings and laws?)

♦ What might seem to be a minor violation of God's rule had enormous ramifications.

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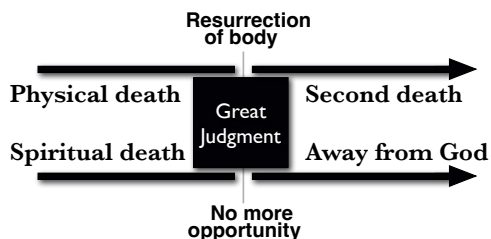


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The Curse of Death

"The wages of sin is death" (Romans 6:23).

Death is common but it is not natural.



"These will pay the penalty of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power" (2 Th 1:9).

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The Guilt of the Human Race (Romans 5:12-21)

"Therefore, just as through one man (i.e. Adam) sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned" (Ro 5:12).



Guilty feelings

"I feel guilty."

- So I feel bad about myself.
- Or party and try to forget it.

Penal guilt

"I have done wrong."

- In Adam I have broken God's law.
- Personal sin affirms my guilt.
- Death is evidence of my guilt.



The end of the sinner

1

He was a sinner.

2

How do you know?

3

Look, he is dead.

What about Jesus' death?

"Yet without sin" (Heb 4:15).



Finding forgiveness

"He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed. For you were continually straying like sheep, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Guardian of your souls" (1 Peter 2:24-25).

"Bore our sins."

"Bore the sin of man"
(Isaiah 53:12)

God's part:

- God was willing to provide a way.
- God was able implement a plan.



Difficulty admitting guilt

1 Identify one's guilt

2 Confess guilt

3 Seek God's grace



Cover up sin
"What did I do?"

Shift blame
"It was his fault!"

Deny Creator
"I don't believe
in God."

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Explanation of the Atonement

"By those who come near Me I will be treated as holy, and before all the people I will be honored" (Lev 10:3).

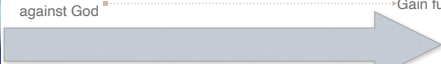
Christ completed the work	"But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things to come, He entered...the holy place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption" (Heb 9:11-12).
Christ secured forgiveness	"For if the blood of goats and bulls...sanctify for the cleansing of the flesh, how much more will the blood of Christ...cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?" (Heb 9:13-14).
Necessity of death	"For a covenant is valid only when men are dead, for it is never in force while the one who made it lives...all things are cleansed with blood, and without shedding of blood there is no forgiveness" (Hebrews 9:17-22).

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Handling Major Sin Problems Through Time

<i>Man's two sin problems</i>	<i>Man's many poor attempts</i>	<i>God's temporary solution</i>	<i>God's permanent provision</i>
#1 Guilt Offense against God	idolatrous sacrifices & religious rites	OT sacrifices: Under the Law	NT sacrifice: Jesus died
Lack of righteousness			
#2 Naked	Fig leaves	Permanent clothes (skins)	Christ's resurrection



Gain full pardon
 Gain Christ's righteousness

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Propitiation for our Sins

Propitiation means to satisfy the anger of a divine being through sacrifice.

"Therefore, He had to be made like His brethren in all things, that He might become a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people" (Heb 2:17).

Christ as High priest makes propitiation of sins.

"He Himself is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for those of the whole world" (1 John 2:2).

Christ as 'lamb' sacrifice becomes propitiatory sacrifice.

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If Jesus Christ was who He claimed to be, and He did die on a cross at a point of time in history, then, for all history past and all history future it is relevant because that is the very focal point for forgiveness and redemption. — Josh McDowell



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Abraham's faith (Genesis 15:1-6; Rom 4:1-5)

"He took him outside and said, "Now look toward the heavens, and count the stars, if you are able to count them." And He said to him, "So shall your descendants be." 6 Then he believed in the LORD; and He reckoned it to him as righteousness" (Gen 15:5-6).

- Abraham " **believed** " in the LORD."
- God " **reckoned** " it to him as **righteousness** ."

What does belief personally mean to you?

➡ God's redemptive goals begin by pardoning our sins through faith in Christ's work on the cross and then restores us into His glorious presence and fellowship through Christ's righteousness to carry out His great plans. Belief is our genuine heart and mind response to His offer of forgiveness through Christ's death and resurrection.

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Discussion questions

- ★ List at least three words to describe death and its consequences.
- ★ If God said man would die if he ate the forbidden fruit, why then is there a human race?
- ★ Why is belief in Jesus the only way to bring forgiveness to the human race (not works, not religions)?

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