

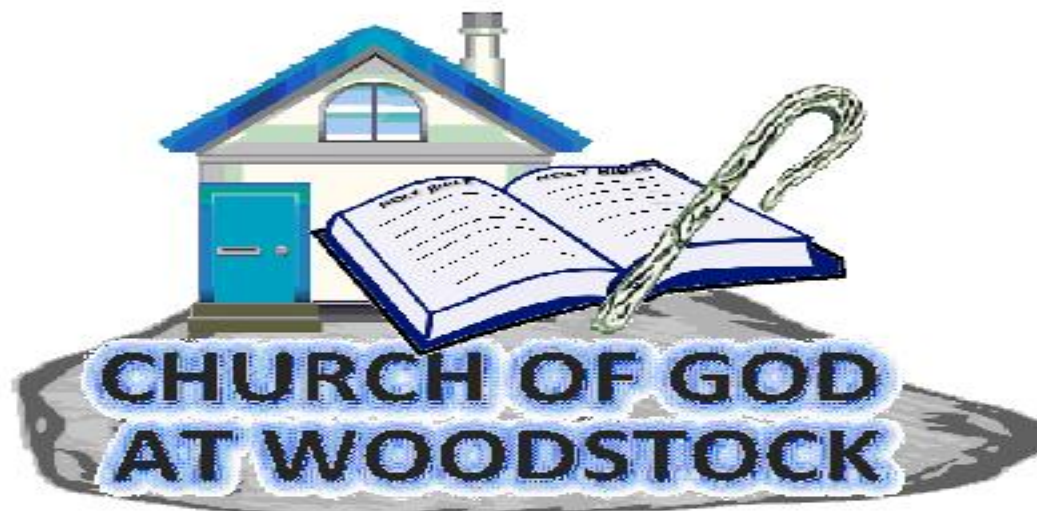
WELCOME!

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JOHN 17:17
THY WORD IS TRUTH

Blessed
Atonement!



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EPH 6:17 AND TAKE...THE SWORD OF THE
SPIRIT WHICH IS THE WORD OF GOD

The Atonement

It's a day of complete fasting – no food or drink

It's a complete cessation of work (just like weekly Sabbath)

Two goats were chosen and one slain and one let go in the wilderness.



The Atonement

Through the symbolism of the two goats and the actions of the High Priest we understand the meaning of this very important holyday

**REMOVAL AND FORGIVENESS
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**He came,
He died for our sins,
We believe and are saved**

**Is this all you know?
Is this all to know?**



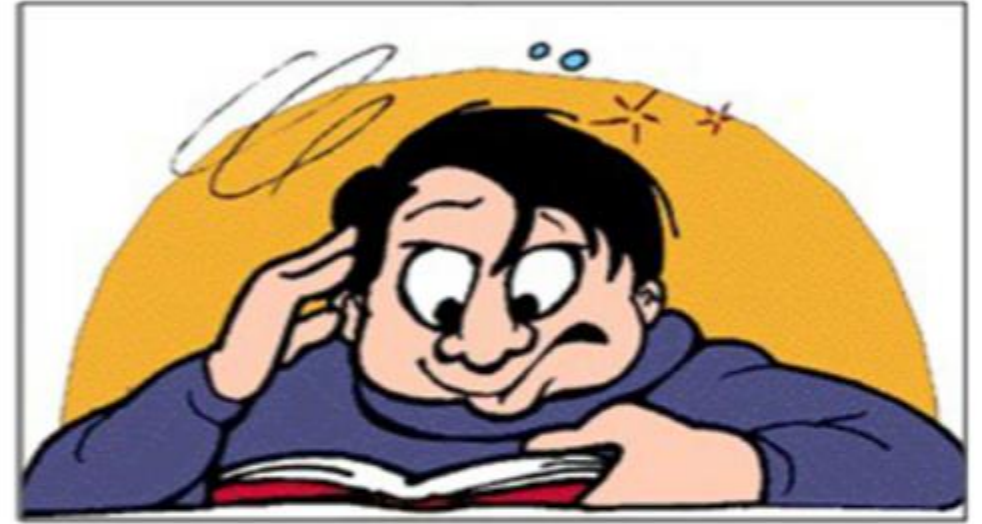
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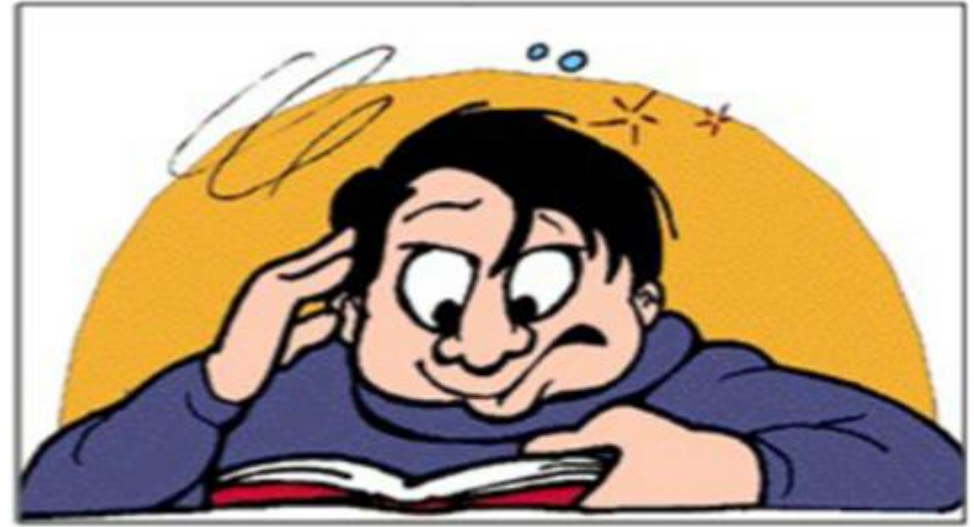
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- How important do you think the Atonement is to God?



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Case Study

- **What are we told is the requirement of salvation?**

Romans 10:9-11 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.

Case Study

- **Acts 8:9-13**
- **Did Simon Magus fulfill these requirements?**
- **Would most ministers today believe that?**

Acts 8:9-13 But there was a certain man, called Simon, which beforetime in the same city used sorcery, and bewitched the people of Samaria, giving out that himself was some great one: To whom they all gave heed, from the least to the greatest, saying, This man is the great power of God. And to him they had regard, because that of long time he had bewitched them with sorceries. But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women. **Then Simon himself believed also: and when he was baptized, he continued with Philip, and wondered, beholding the miracles and signs which were done.**

Case Study

**Is there more to
being saved
than just
believing,
confessing, and
being baptized?**

Acts 8:18-24 And when Simon saw that through laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Ghost was given, he offered them money, Saying, Give me also this power, that on whomsoever I lay hands, he may receive the Holy Ghost. But Peter said unto him, Thy money perish with thee, because thou hast thought that the gift of God may be purchased with money. Thou hast neither part nor lot in this matter: for **thy heart is not right in the sight of God. Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee. For I perceive that thou art in the gall of bitterness, and *in* the bond of iniquity.** Then answered Simon, and said, Pray ye to the Lord for me, that none of these things which ye have spoken come upon me.

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James 2:18-20 Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works. Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: **the devils also believe, and tremble.** But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?

General Atonement Passages

Romans 3:25 Whom God hath set forth *to be* a **propitiation through faith in his blood**, to declare his righteousness **for the remission of sins that are past**, through the **forbearance of God**;

Hebrews 2:17 Wherefore in all things it behoved him to be **made like unto *his* brethren**, that he might be a merciful and **faithful high priest** in things *pertaining* to God, to make **reconciliation for the sins of the people.**

Romans 5:11 And not only so, but we also joy in God through **our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.**

What is an Atonement?

- **a·tone·ment** n.

Amends or reparation made for an injury or wrong; expiation.

- Reconciliation or an instance of reconciliation between God and humans.
- Atonement Christianity. The reconciliation of God and humans brought about by the redemptive life and death of Jesus.

1 Corinthians 1:23 But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks foolishness;

Does it make sense to you?

ARE YOU ALSO BEWILDERED WHY GOD HAD TO SEND HIS SON TO DIE FOR OUR ATONEMENT?

Does God Desire Reconciliation?

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Therefore if any man *be* in Christ, *he is* a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. And all things *are* of **God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ**, and hath given to us the **ministry of reconciliation**; To wit, that God was in Christ, **reconciling the world unto himself**, not imputing their trespasses unto them; **and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation**. Now then we are **ambassadors** for Christ, as though God did beseech *you* by us: we pray *you* in Christ's stead, **be ye reconciled to God**. For he hath made him *to be* sin for us, who knew no sin; **that we might be made the righteousness of God in him**.

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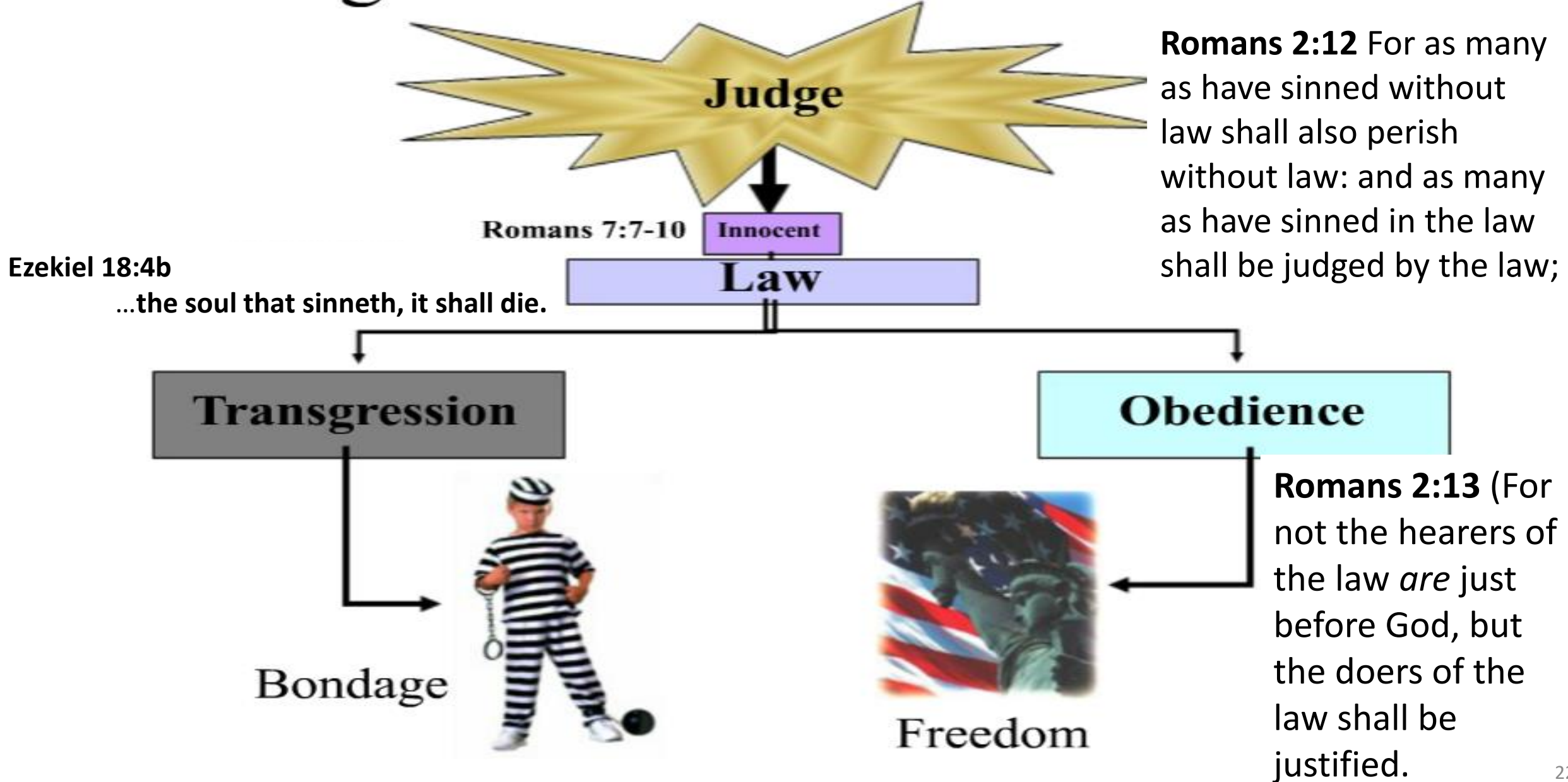
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It appears understanding Christ crucified is a big deal?

Righteousness From the Law



Romans 2:12 For as many as have sinned without law shall also perish without law: and as many as have sinned in the law shall be judged by the law;

Ezekiel 18:4b
...the soul that sinneth, it shall die.

Romans 2:13 (For not the hearers of the law are just before God, but the doers of the law shall be justified.)

What is an Atonement really?

- Earthly Government is without an atonement practice
 - Guilty people are punished
 - The guilty are not set free if an innocent person voluntarily decides to take the punishment or pay a fine
 - Society would not be served by letting law breakers free while punishing the innocent
 - Justice and society demands that there is law, and that crime carries an appropriate penalty
 - People believe that it is a good thing that society is protected from lawbreakers



Is it a good idea to pardon everyone in jail?

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Would you feel any differently if the Governor only let out only a handful of really dangerous criminals?



Is the reason why the Governor will not pardon everyone, because he is hardhearted and unforgiving?



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Full Definition of *pardon*

1 : indulgence

2 : the excusing of an offense without exacting a penalty

3 a : a release from the legal penalties of an offense b : an official warrant of remission of penalty

4 : excuse or forgiveness for a fault, offense, or discourtesy

<I beg your pardon>

Definition of *atonement*

1 *obsolete* : reconciliation

2 : the reconciliation of God and humankind through the sacrificial death of Jesus Christ

3 : reparation for an offense or injury : satisfaction

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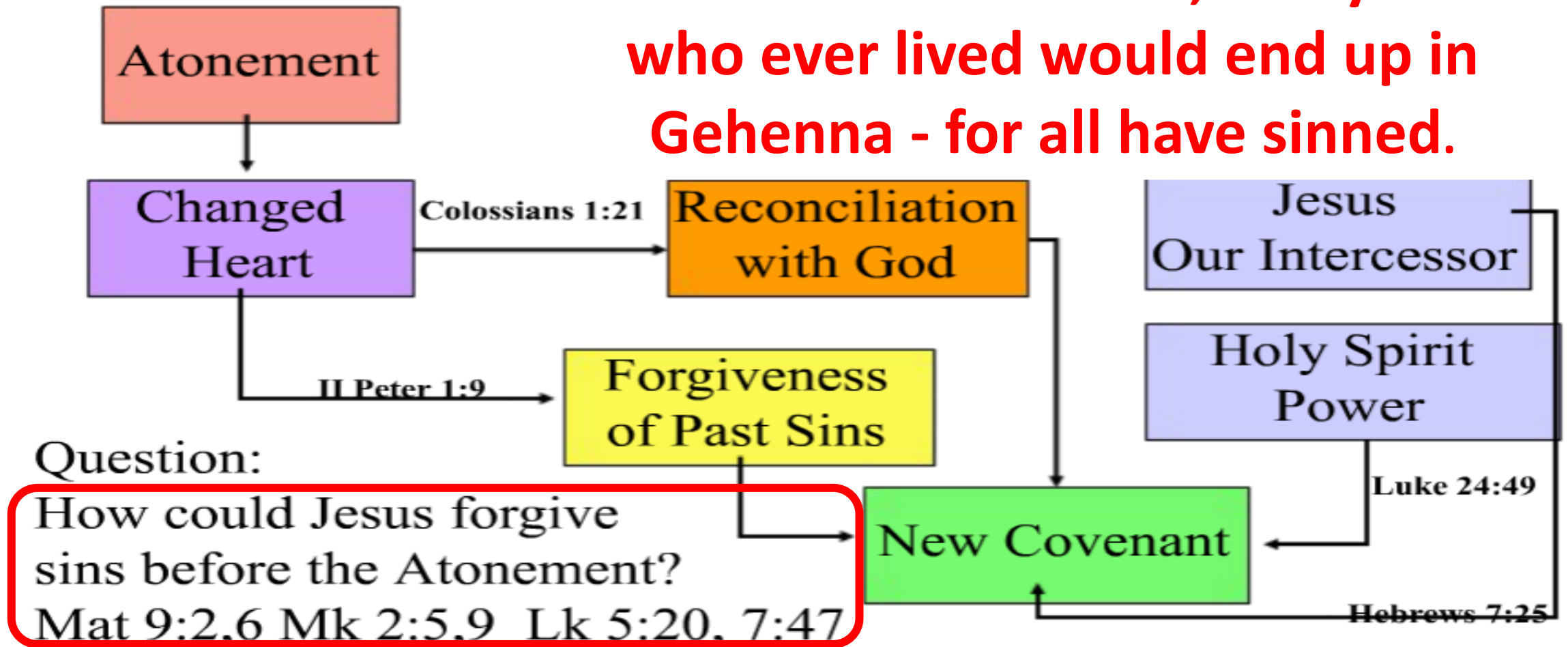
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Atonement Basic Overview

Without The Atonement, every human who ever lived would end up in Gehenna - for all have sinned.



If God could forgive without the cross, what's up?

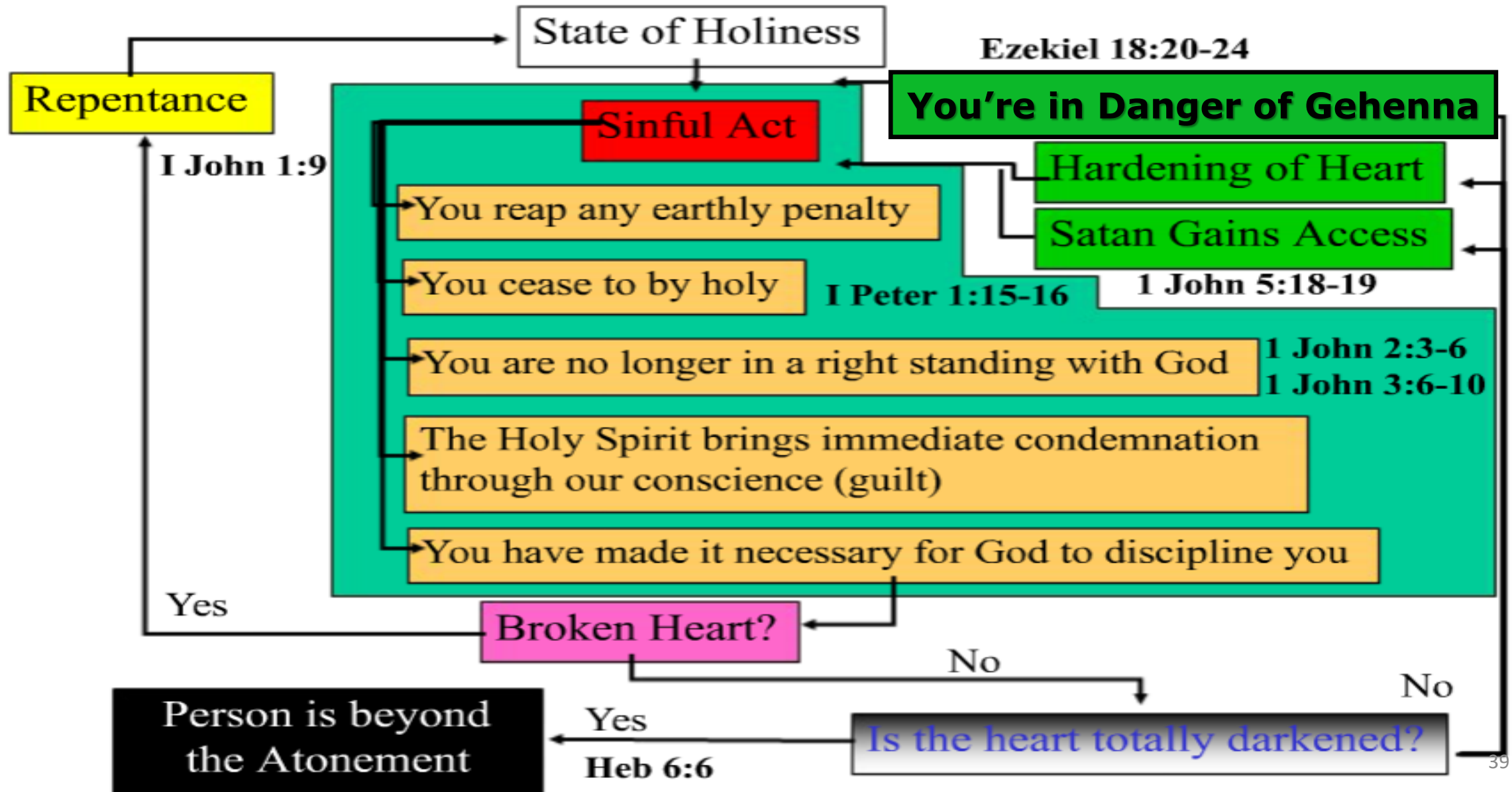
From God's Word

Romans 3:21-26 But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets; Even **the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ** unto all and **upon all them that believe**: for there is no difference: For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; Being **justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus**: Whom God hath set forth *to be* a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God; To declare, *I say*, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.

Do you “lose” your salvation?

- This is the wrong question as we are saved from sinning. If we sin, then clearly we are not saved from it. (Romans 6)
- Say you have been pardoned and then commit a new crime. Will the judge not do anything because of the previous pardon, or will you be given the maximum sentence and you can forget about any chance of a new pardon. You have insulted the mercy of the court and you will get the maximum fine for your new offense (see Matthew 18:23-35)
- The real question is, do you remain a child of God.
 - Is this true to Scripture? I John 1:2-5, 3:7-10
 - Is this true to reason?
 - Is this true to life?

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Psalm 94:12 Blessed *is* the man whom thou chastenest, O LORD, and teachest him out of thy law;

Proverbs 3:11-12 My son, despise not the chastening of the LORD; neither be weary of his correction: For whom the LORD loveth he correcteth; even as a father the son *in whom* he delighteth.

Revelation 3:19-20 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent. Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

Hebrews 12:7-11 If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not? But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons. Furthermore we have had fathers of our flesh which corrected us, and we gave *them* reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live? For they verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure; but he for *our* profit, that *we* might be partakers of his holiness. Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby.

WHY?

Hebrews 9:22 And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission.

Satisfaction of Justice

- **Job 8:3** Doth God pervert judgment? or doth the Almighty pervert justice? (said by Bildad the Shuhite)
- **Psalm 89:14** Justice and judgment *are* the habitation of thy throne: mercy and truth shall go before thy face.
- **Proverbs 21:3** To do justice and judgment *is* more acceptable to the LORD than sacrifice.
- **Jeremiah 23:5** Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth.

Satisfaction of Justice

Jesus paid for our sins in a legal sense – by satisfying the demands of the law of sin and death. All who trust in Christ, by faith, will be saved from God the Father's righteous judgment. All we need to do is trust in what Christ has done on the cross and **be justified** (made legally righteous before God) **by faith alone in Christ alone.**

Rom. 3:28, "For we maintain that a man is **justified by faith** apart from works of the Law."

Rom. 4:3, "For what does the Scripture say? "And Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness."

Rom. 4:5, "But to the one who does not work, **but believes in Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is reckoned as righteousness.**"

Rom. 5:1, "therefore having **been justified by faith**, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Gal. 3:8, "And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would **justify the Gentiles by faith**, preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, "All the nations shall be blessed in you."

Gal. 3:24, "Therefore the Law has become our tutor **to lead us to Christ, that we may be justified by faith.**"

Satisfaction of Justice

When we sin, we become judicially guilty, and a payment is required. To say that no payment is required is to say that Christ's glory really holds no value. Break something that's cheap and no one will care. Break something exquisite and precious, however, and its value is demonstrated – in part – in the fact that a payment is required.

John 1:1-4 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, **and the Word was God.** The same was in the beginning with God. **All things were made by him;** and without him was not any thing made that was made. **In him was life; and the life was the light of men.**

Acts 3:13-15 The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, hath **glorified his Son Jesus;** whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let *him* go. **But ye denied the Holy One and the Just,** and desired a murderer to be granted unto you; And killed the Prince (G747=Author) of life, whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses.

Blood of Atonement

- **Deuteronomy 12:23** Only be sure that thou eat not the blood: **for the blood is the life;** and thou mayest not eat the life with the flesh.
- **Leviticus 17:11** **For the life of the flesh is in the blood:** and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: **for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul.**
- **Hebrews 10:1-4** For the law having a shadow of good things to come, *and* not the very image of the things, can **never** with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect. For then would they not have ceased to be offered? because that the worshippers once purged should have had no more conscience of sins. But in those *sacrifices there is* a remembrance again *made* of sins every year. **For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins.**
- **Hebrews 10:9-10** Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second. By the which will **we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ** once *for all*.

Redemption By The Precious Blood

Ephesians 1:7 In whom we have **redemption through his blood**, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his **grace**;

1 Peter 1:18-19 Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not **redeemed** with corruptible things, *as* silver and gold, from your vain conversation *received* by tradition from your fathers; But with **the precious blood of Christ**, as of a lamb **without blemish and without spot**:

Romans 5:8-11 But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, being **now justified by his blood**, we shall be **saved from wrath** through him. For if, when we were enemies, we were **reconciled to God by the death of his Son**, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life. And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have **now received the atonement**.

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- **Revelation 1:5** And from Jesus Christ, *who is* the faithful witness, *and* the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and **washed us from our sins in his own blood,**
- **Ephesians 2:13** But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off **are made nigh by the blood of Christ.**
- **Hebrews 13:12** Wherefore Jesus also, that he might **sanctify the people with his own blood,** suffered without the gate.
- **Colossians 1:20-23** And, having made **peace through the blood of his cross,** by him **to reconcile all things unto himself;** by him, *I say,* whether *they be* things in earth, or things in heaven. And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in *your* mind by wicked works, yet **now hath he reconciled In the body of his flesh through death,** to present you holy and unblameable and unreprieveable in his sight: If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and *be* not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, *and* which was preached to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister;

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- **1 John 1:7** But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and **the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.**
- **Hebrews 9:14** How much more shall **the blood of Christ**, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?
- **1 Corinthians 6:19-20** What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost *which is* in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? **For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.**

THE ATONEMENT

Grounds of Atonement: God's Love

Did God demand payment?

John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 10:17-18 Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again. No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father.

2 Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

Ezekiel 18:32 For I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord GOD: wherefore turn *yourselves*, and live ye.

God was just in that he could not simply let sin go unpunished

God upheld the Law by demonstrating that sin was monstrous and would not be tolerated in His kingdom

Jesus voluntarily suffered to place the love of God before our minds, so to humble us in such a way that we would refrain from further rebellion

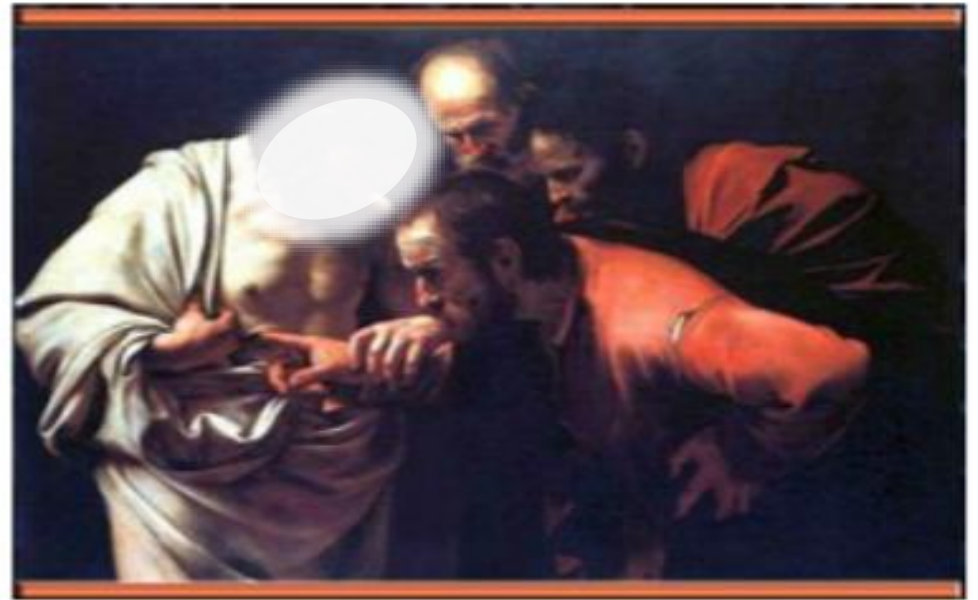
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- God demonstrated His love and mercy by freely providing an Atonement to all sinners
- The suffering Savior properly understood is sufficient to maintain our future submission to the Law of God [Matthew 5:17-20; Galatians 6:2]
- God can freely forgive anyone because: He has demonstrated that the Law will not be set aside simply due to mercy
- He has demonstrated that he is both merciful and just
- He has protected society by reforming sinners **prior to their release**
- He has shown his love and wisdom by sending Jesus and by reducing the amount of suffering that would have occurred by the Atonement



**Can you any more
doubt the love of God?**

God had a legal need for an Atonement

THE ATONEMENT

- The only unlimited atonement model
- Does not promote universalism
- Grounds of salvation is God's love and mercy
- Sets aside strict justice (allows mercy)
- Only model that reduces the suffering in the universe by ...
- Requiring a voluntary change in the penitent recipient prior to/through conversion



The Function of the Holy Spirit

- The Atonement secures the future good behavior of the pardoned thereby eliminating concern of society
 - John 14:16, 26
 - John 15:26
 - John 16:7-16
 - I Thessalonians 1:4-5
- God Himself vouches for our future good behavior and he is responsible for our reformation
 - The cross in a ever present reminder
 - The Holy Spirit teaches us
 - The Holy Spirit can provide sufficient moral influence so that we will not sin again.



Job of the Holy Spirit

By Your Fruit You Will Be Known

- Romans 6:12
- Romans 6:16
- Romans 8:5
- I Peter 1:14-16
- I Peter 2:11
- I Peter 4:1-4
- Galatians 5:1,13
- Colossians 3:5-9
- James 2:14-24
- I John 2:1-7
- I John 3:3-10



Be careful how you live

Atonement Analogy

- **Why does a person quit smoking?**
 - They don't like it anymore
 - They like smoking but not the consequences of the behavior

Who will most likely be successful?

- **Why does a person want to be saved?**
 - They don't want to go on sinning
 - It dishonors God
 - It hurts others
 - It hurts themselves
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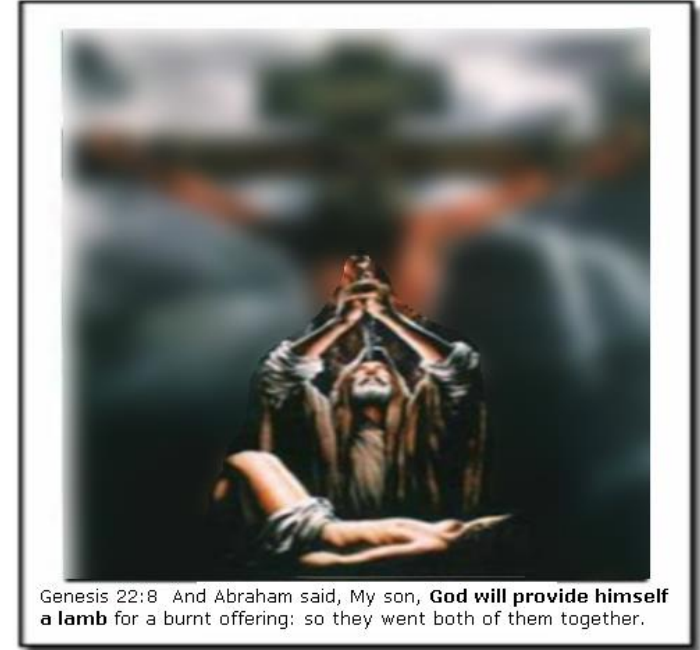


Estimating Value

- The true value of an object is determined solely on the price someone is willing to pay for it
 - What value does God place on a single soul?
 - How then should we treat one another?
 - What value do you place on God?
 - Are you willing to die for our Lord?
 - Are you willing to live for our Lord?

Unlimited Atonement Available

- The Atonement is limitless and available to anyone who earnestly desires it
- Jesus suffered for the sins of the world
- The Atonement decreased the suffering in this world that would have occurred if no Atonement was offered (if no Atonement then all guilty and unredeemable)
- The Atonement removed all governmental obstacles so that God could freely forgive
- Sins committed after salvation are not automatically covered. The violator of God's Law must repent and come back into submission to the Law



Picture If You Will ...

“Jesus was made a sin-offering for us. How beautiful this was illustrated under the Mosaic system! The victim was brought out to be slain; the blood was carried in and sprinkled on the mercy-seat. This mercy-seat was no other than the sacred cover or lid of the ark which contained the tables of the law ... There they were, in that deep recess – within which none might enter on pain of death, save the High Priest, and he only once a year, on the great day of atonement.

On this eventful day, the sacred rites culminated to their highest solemnity. Two goats were brought forward, upon which the High Priest laid his hands, and confessed publicly his own sins and the sins of all the people. Then one was driven far away into the wilderness, to signify how God removes our sins far as the east is from the west; the other was slain and its blood borne by the high priest into the most holy place, and sprinkled there upon the mercy-seat beneath the cherubim.

Meanwhile, the vast congregation stood without, confessing their sins, and expecting remission only through the shedding of blood. It was as if the whole world had been standing around the base of Calvary, confessing their sins, while Jesus bore His cross to the summit, to hang thereon, and bleed and die for the sins of men. How fitting that, while Christ is dying, we should be confessing!”

-- CHARLES FINNEY

Summary

- The Atonement did not change God at all
- The Atonement changes us
- The Atonement was necessary for governmental reasons, not personal ones , satisfying the law/justice
- Sin cannot be tolerated in a Christian
- Our future sins are not covered at salvation
- We must repent to receive forgiveness of any sin pre- or post-salvation
- If we are converted (saved), but then begin to pursue a course of rebellion, we will receive chastisement.
- If we persist in sin, not accepting correction, we may commit the unpardonable sin being unable to find repentance. (Mark 3:28—29; 1Tim 1:18-20) The Atonement would not apply to us.

Jesus Christ is seen to have fulfilled all of the Biblical "types"—the High Priest who officiates at the ceremony, the Lord's goat that deals with the pollution of sin and the scapegoat that removes the "burden of sin". Christians believe God at His Word that sinners who own their guilt and confess their sins, exercising faith and trust in the person and sacrifice of Jesus, are forgiven of their sins and empowered to not obey sin any longer.

The Atonement

Romans 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, *which is your reasonable service.* **2** And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what *is* that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

THANK YOU!

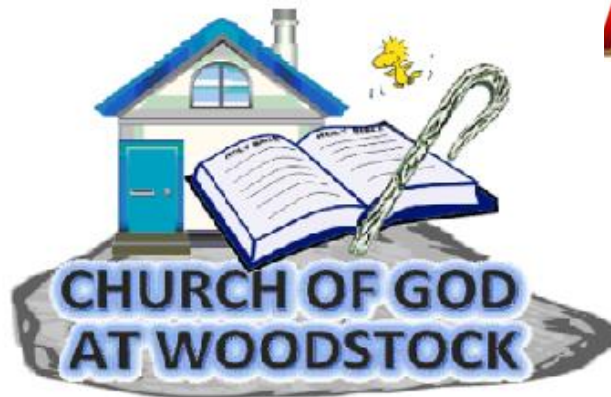
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**HAPPY HOLY DAY!
BLESSED ATONEMENT!
HAPPY SABBATH!
BE CHRIST'S WHOLLY!**

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JOHN 17:17
THY WORD IS TRUTH



The Atonement



**LOVE GOD!
BE YE HOLY!
PRAISE THE LORD!
OUR FORGIVENESS!
BE CHRIST'S WHOLLY!
LOVE GOD!
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