

WHY JESUS DIED

There are two Laws spoken of in the Bible. (1) The Moral Law of the Ten Commandments which is perfect and stands fast forever. See Exodus 20 and Ps. 111:7,8. And (2) The Ceremonial Laws – Sacrifices and Ordinances which pointed to Christ and were done away with at His cross. See Hebrews 9:10 and Col. 2:14.

Sin is the transgression of the moral law, the penalty of which is death.

Rom 3:20 “... by the law *is* the knowledge of sin.”

Rom 7:7 “...I had not known sin, but by the law...”

1John 3:4 ... “sin is the transgression of the law.”

Rom 4:15 “...where no law is, *there is* no transgression. “

Luk 16:17 “And it is easier for heaven and earth to pass, than one tittle of the law to fail.”

Rom 6:23 “For the wages of sin is death...”

Rom 5:12 “Wherefore, as by one man [Adam] sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned.”

Rom 3:23 “For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;”

Gal 3:13 [Phillips translation]

“Now Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law’s condemnation by Himself becoming a curse for us when He was crucified..”

Heb 2:9 “But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man.”

FIRST PROMISE OF A REDEMER

Gen 3:14 [R.S.V.]

“And the LORD God said to the serpent... I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; He shall bruise your head, and you shalt bruise His heel.”

Rom 16:20 “And the God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly...”

PROMISE RENEWED TO ABRAHAM

Gen 22:18 “ In thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed;”

Gal 3:16 “Now to Abraham and **his seed** were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of **(one)**, And to thy seed, which is Christ.”

REDEEMER CAME

Gal 4:4 “But when the **fulness of the time** was come, God sent forth **his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, To redeem them that were under the law**, that we might receive the **adoption of sons**.”

Rom 5:18 “Therefore as by the **offence of one judgment** came upon all men to **condemnation**; even so by the **righteousness of one** *the free gift* came upon all men unto **justification** of life.”

Act 10:43 “To **Him** give all the prophets witness, that through **His name** whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins.”

2Cor 5:21 “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**.”

See Also: Math.26:28., Col.1:14., Eph.1:7., and I John 4:10

In Genesis **why** was Abel’s sacrifice to God of a **slain lamb** more excellent than his brother Cain’s offering of the fruit of the ground? See (Hebrews 11:4) Answer: because the shedding of blood was for remission of sins. It pointed forward **in faith** to **the Redeemer** yet to come as the true sacrifice for sins. (See Hebrews 11:6)

Lev 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**.”

Christ had to die on the day that the Passover Lamb died—the 14th day of Nisan—in order to meet the prophetic type, and to establish His identity as the **true Passover Lamb**.

Exo 12:43 “And the LORD said unto Moses and Aaron, This *is* the **ordinance of the passover**.”

Deu 16:6 “But at the place which the LORD thy God shall choose to place his name in, there thou shalt **sacrifice the Passover** at even, at the going down of the sun, at the season that thou camest forth out of Egypt.”

Isa 53:7 “..He is brought **as a lamb to the slaughter**, and **as a sheep before her shearers is dumb**, so he **openeth not his mouth**.”

John 1:36 “And looking upon **Jesus** as he walked, he saith, **Behold the Lamb of God!**”

1Cor 5:7 “For even **Christ our passover is sacrificed for us**: Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven... but with the unleavened *bread* of sincerity and truth.”

1Pe 1:18 “... ye know that ye were not **redeemed** with corruptible things...But with the **precious blood** of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: who verily was **foreordained before the foundation of the world**, but was manifest in these last times for you,”

Rev 13:8 “... **the Lamb slain** from the foundation of the world.”

Act 2:23 [R.S.V.]

“This Jesus, delivered up according definite plan and the foreknowledge of God...

John 19:11 “Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power *at all* against me, except it were given thee from above...” See (Matt.26:53)

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Act 26:22 “... I continue unto this day, witnessing both to small and great, saying none other things than those which **the prophets** and **Moses did say should come**: That Christ should suffer, *and* that he should be the first that should rise from the dead, and should shew light unto the people, and to the Gentiles. See (I Cor. 15:20,23)

Isa 48:16 “Come ye near unto **me**, hear ye this; **I** have not spoken in secret from the beginning; from the time that it was, **there am I**: and now the **Lord GOD**, and **his Spirit, hath sent me**. Thus saith the **LORD**, thy **Redeemer**, the **Holy One** of Israel...”

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.”

Dan 9:27 “And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the **sacrifice** and the **oblation** to cease...”

Mat 27:50,51 “Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost. And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom...”

1Cor 15:3 “... Christ died for our sins **according to the scriptures**;”

So the yearly Passover service, with its types and shadows, pointed forward
To the sacrifice of the true Passover Lamb on the cross. The annual typical

lamb, the old leaven, and the yearly wave sheaf were the shadows leading up to the body, which was Christ. When they were fulfilled by His death, the Ceremonial Laws were abolished, because they were no longer necessary.

Heb 9:8-12 "...while as the first tabernacle was yet standing: Which was a figure for the time then present, in which were offered both gifts and sacrifices, that could not make him that did the service perfect, as pertaining to the conscience; Which stood only in meats and drinks, and divers washings, and carnal ordinances, imposed on them until the time of reformation. But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building; Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us."

Heb 10:1-5, 10, 12 "For the law [Ceremonial] 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? ... For *it is* not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins. Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me ... we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all... this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God;"

Eph 2:15 "Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, *even* the law of commandments contained in ordinances..."

Col. 2:14 "Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross;"

HIS SACRIFICE SAVES US

Rom 5:8 "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."

1Cor. 1:18 "For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God."

Mat. 1:21 "... thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins."

1Tim. 1:15 "This *is* a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief."

Act 4:12 "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."

Heb 9:28 "So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation."

Heb 10:26, 27 “For if we **sin wilfully** after that we have received **the knowledge of the truth**, there remaineth **no more sacrifice for sins**. But a certain **fearful looking for of judgment ...**”