

## The Death of Jesus

### Lesson 2

How Does Jesus' Death Provide Forgiveness of Our Sins?

## Who Is Responsible For Jesus' Death?

The multitude?  
Judas Iscariot?  
The Romans?  
The Jewish leaders?  
Jesus?  
The Father?  
Our sins?

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## Who Is Responsible For Jesus' Death?

- Guided by ignorance, fickleness, cruelty, covetousness, cowardice, hatred and envy, both Jews and Romans killed Jesus
- Although guilty of their sins, the Father used Jews and Romans as instruments to carry out His eternal plan
- Need for Jesus' death – our sins
- Jesus willingly died on the cross for forgiveness of our sins

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## Introduction

- Often said, "I don't understand why Jesus had to die for my sins."
- Implied – there had to be a "better" way to save us than what God did
- Not necessary for God to satisfy our "wisdom" but only for God to satisfy Himself by acting according to His own perfect Divine nature

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## Sin – Our Greatest Problem And Reason For Jesus' Death

- Common for us to minimize sin and its consequences
- But sin, violating God's law, is our greatest self-inflicted problem resulting in eternal torment and separation from God
- But God to satisfy Himself sent Jesus to the cross that He might willingly die for our sins

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## Sin – Our Greatest Problem And Reason For Jesus' Death

1Jn 3:4 Everyone who practices sin also practices lawlessness; and sin is lawlessness.

Rom 6:23 For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Mat 26:28 for this is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for forgiveness of sins.

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## In Jesus' Death, God Acted According To His Divine Nature

- In Jesus' death, God acted according to and consistent with His entire Divine nature
- Love, holiness, justice, mercy and more make up God's nature
- In Jesus' death, we see God's attributes displayed harmoniously, not contradictorily but providing what was necessary to save us and be consistent with His perfect Divine character

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## Example - God Acted According To His Divine Nature

Num 14:12 "I will smite them with pestilence and dispossess them, and I will make you into a nation greater and mightier than they."

Num 14:13 But Moses said to the LORD, "Then the Egyptians will hear of it, for by Your strength You brought up this people from their midst,

Num 14:17 "But now, I pray, let the power of the Lord be great, just as You have declared,

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## Example - God Acted According To His Divine Nature

Num 14:18 'The LORD is slow to anger and abundant in lovingkindness, forgiving iniquity and transgression; but He will by no means clear *the guilty*, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth *generations*.'

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## Example - God Acted According To His Divine Nature

Num 14:19 "Pardon, I pray, the iniquity of this people according to the greatness of Your lovingkindness, just as You also have forgiven this people, from Egypt even until now."

Num 14:20 So the LORD said, "I have pardoned *them* according to your word;

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## Divine Wisdom And Power Displayed In Jesus' Death

1Co 1:21 For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not *come to* know God, God was well-pleased through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe.

1Co 1:22 For indeed Jews ask for signs and Greeks search for wisdom;

1Co 1:23 but we preach Christ crucified, to Jews a stumbling block and to Gentiles foolishness,

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## Divine Wisdom And Power Displayed In Jesus' Death

1Co 1:24 but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

1Co 1:25 Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

1Co 2:8 *the wisdom* which none of the rulers of this age has understood; for if they had understood it they would not have crucified the Lord of glory;

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## Holy God Redeems Sinners So We May Be Holy

1Pe 1:14 As obedient children, do not be conformed to the former lusts *which were yours* in your ignorance,

1Pe 1:15 but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all *your* behavior;

1Pe 1:16 because it is written, "YOU SHALL BE HOLY, FOR I AM HOLY."

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1Pe 1:17 If you address as Father the One who impartially judges according to each one's work, conduct yourselves in fear during the time of your stay *on earth*;

1Pe 1:18 knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers,

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1Pe 1:19 but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, *the blood of Christ*.

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## Just God Punishes Sin And Justifies Sinners

- How can God free sinners from guilt and still be just, punish sin?
- Answer – He satisfied His own righteous standard by sending Jesus as a willing sinless sacrifice to die for our sins, in our place, providing justice and justification (acquittal from guilt to sinners) at the same time

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## Just God Punishes Sin And Justifies Sinners

Rom 3:20 because by the works of the Law no flesh will be justified in His sight; for through the Law *comes* the knowledge of sin.

Rom 3:21 But now apart from the Law *the* righteousness of God has been manifested, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets,

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Rom 3:22 even *the* righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all those who believe; for there is no distinction;

Rom 3:23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

Rom 3:24 being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus;

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Rom 3:25 whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith. *This* was to demonstrate His righteousness, because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed; Rom 3:26 for the demonstration, *I say*, of His righteousness at the present time, so that He would be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

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## Jesus, The Perfect Sacrifice, Dying In Our Place

Lev 17:11 'For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it to you on the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it is the blood by reason of the life that makes atonement.'

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Lev 16:6 "Then Aaron shall offer the bull for the sin offering which is for himself, that he may make atonement for himself and for his household.

Lev 16:15 "Then he shall slaughter the goat of the sin offering which is for the people, and bring its blood inside the veil and do with its blood as he did with the blood of the bull, and sprinkle it on the mercy seat and in front of the mercy seat.

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Isa 53:4 Surely our griefs He Himself bore, And our sorrows He carried; Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, Smitten of God, and afflicted.

Isa 53:5 But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; The chastening for our well-being *fell* upon Him, And by His scourging we are healed.

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Isa 53:6 All of us like sheep have gone astray, Each of us has turned to his own way; But the LORD has caused the iniquity of us all To fall on Him.

Isa 53:7 He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He did not open His mouth; Like a lamb that is led to slaughter, And like a sheep that is silent before its shearers, So He did not open His mouth.

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Joh 1:29 The next day he *\*saw* Jesus coming to him and *\*said*, "Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!  
1Pe 2:24 and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed.

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## God's Grace, Love And Mercy Forgive And Reconcile Us

Eph 1:7 In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace

Eph 1:8 which He lavished on us. In all wisdom and insight

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Rom 5:6 For while we were still helpless, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.

Rom 5:7 For one will hardly die for a righteous man; though perhaps for the good man someone would dare even to die.

Rom 5:8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

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Rom 5:9 Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him.

Rom 5:10 For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.

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Rom 5:11 And not only this, but we also exult in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.

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## Glorious God Exalting Suffering Savior And Saints

Joh 12:27 "Now My soul has become troubled; and what shall I say, 'Father, save Me from this hour'? But for this purpose I came to this hour.

Joh 12:28 "Father, glorify Your name." Then a voice came out of heaven: "I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again."

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## Glorious God Exalting Suffering Savior And Saints

Rom 8:16 The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are children of God,

Rom 8:17 and if children, heirs also, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with *Him* so that we may also be glorified with *Him*.

Rom 8:18 For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that is to be revealed to us.

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