

FOR WHOM DID JESUS DIE? (PART I)

SCRIPTURE READING:

- **“¹⁵ That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life. 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. ¹⁷ For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved” (John 3:15-17).**
- **“For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost” (Luke 19:10).**
- **“This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief” (1 Tim 1:15).**

INTRODUCTION:

A. Jesus is the Only Way to Heaven

John Dyer, a Welsh poet and pastor from the 1700s once wrote, “A man may go to Heaven without health, without riches, without honors, without learning, without friends; but he can never go there without Christ.” Today our world is filled with people who are seeking some other way to God than the one found in the blood of Jesus and His precious name, but all such efforts are doomed to failure. Jesus is the only Way to Heaven. (Ministry 127).

B. Who is the Remedy for Sin?

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

O precious is the flow, That makes me white as snow;

No other fount I know; Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

- **“ And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission” (Heb 9:22).**
- **“²⁴ Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: 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” (Rom 3:24-25).**

Jesus Christ and Him alone is the only remedy for sin.

- **“ Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me (John 14:6).**

PROPOSITION:

For Whom Did Jesus Die? “What saith the Scriptures?” (Rom 4:3). For this lesson, we will answer the question “For Whom did Jesus Die?”

I. JESUS DIED FOR “ALL” (1 Tim 2:6)

- “Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time” (1 Tim 2:6).

A. Jesus Gave Himself a Ransom for ALL

1. Ransom is defined as exchanging something for something. Jesus exchanged His life for the life of man.
2. Jesus’ death covers the sins and death of all men. Jesus died in our place and on our behalf.
3. For the person – Believer – who believes and trusts that Jesus died for Him, God accepts that person as free from the penalty of sin because Jesus has already paid the ransom for sin and death.

B. The Ransom Paid by Jesus’ Death is Available to ALL.

The finished work of Jesus on the Cross is sufficient to save All Sinners. However, it does not mean that all will be saved, since man has the will to accept or reject Jesus Christ.

- “Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many” (Matt 20:28).
- “In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace” (Eph 1:7).

II. JESUS DIED FOR “ALL MEN” (Rom 5:18; 1 Tim 4:10)

- “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” (Rom 5:18).
- “For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe” (1 Tim 4:10).

A. In Romans 5:18, the first “all men” refers to all who are in Adam, and the second “all men” refers to All who are in Christ Jesus.

1. Adam’s sin brought death – God’s Gift brought Righteousness.
2. God’s Gift of Righteousness is a “Free Gift” (Grace) and is available to ALL. God’s Gift of Grace is sufficient to save all Sinners.
3. “For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith” (Rom 1:17).
 - When a person believes the Gospel of Christ – Jesus Saves – God takes that person’s faith and counts it for righteousness. The Believer is fit for Eternal Life and restored to a righteous relationship with God.
 - “Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ” (Rom 5:1).

- “And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God” (1 Cor 6:11).

B. “Who is the Savior of All Men” – Christ Jesus – specially of those that believe (1 Tim 4:10).

1. A person can reject Christ’s free offer of Salvation.

According to J Vernon McGee, Christ is the Savior of all men, but only those who believe will be Saved.

2. Denial or delay is a decision about Christ

“Jesus does not allow us to be neutral about Him. He demands that we decide about Him, and living for Him will cost us our pride. We just give up our sin, and He strengthens each person who comes to Him in repentance. We need to be willing to take on Jesus’ unpopularity and the scorn that is often heaped on Him. What is your response to Jesus? Denial or delay is a decision” (Billy Graham).

III. JESUS DIED FOR “US ALL” (Isa 53:6)

“All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all” (Isa 53:6).

A. “All We” – All, Everybody, Anybody, Mankind

“All We” went astray by disobeying God and His commands and commandments.

B. “The Iniquity of Us All” caused Jesus to bear our grief (Isa 53:4), carry our sorrows (Isa 53:4), be pierced for our transgressions (Isa 53:5), crushed for iniquities (Isa 53:5), chastened for our well-being (Isa 53:6), scourged for our healing (Isa 53:5), cut off from the land of the living (Isa 53:8), considered to be a wicked criminal (Isa 53:9), and He bore the sin of many (Isa 53:12).

C. In Isaiah 53, the ancient Prophet Isaiah described the suffering that Christ endured for mankind – “Us All.”

- 1.** “²⁴ Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed. ²⁵ For ye were as sheep going astray; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls” (1 Pet 2:24-25).

This passage refers to Jesus “... bearing our sins in His own body ... by whose stripes ye were healed.”

- 2.** Jesus paid our sin debt in full. He died for our sin, in our place, so we (“us all”), would not have to suffer the punishment that we (“us all”) deserve.
- “The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly” (John 10:10).

JESUS PAID IT ALL

Jesus paid it all, All to Him I owe

Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow

MEMORY VERSE:

**“For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord”
(Rom 6:23).**

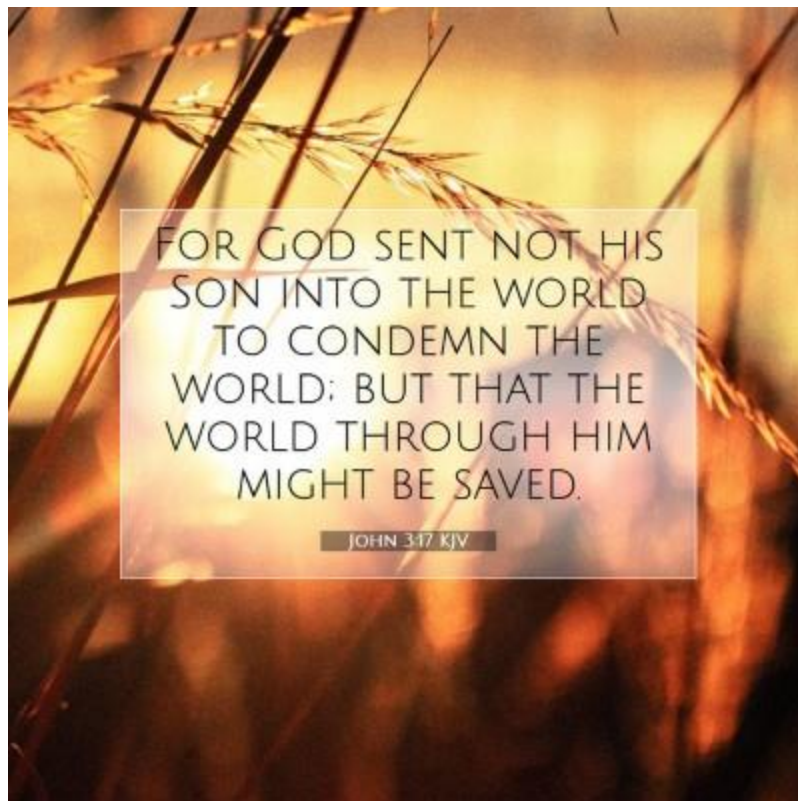
CONCLUSION:

A. For Whom Did Jesus Die? He died for “ALL, “ALL MEN,” and “US ALL.”

B. “We ought to be living as if Jesus died yesterday, rose this morning, and is coming back this afternoon.” – Pastor Adrian Rogers

C. ABC’s of Salvation

- **A – Admit** that you’re a sinner and that you cannot save yourself (Rom 3:23, Eph 2:8-9).
- **B – Believe** that Jesus died on the Cross and rose again for your sins (Rom 5:8, 1 Cor. 15:3-4).
- **C – Confess**/Call on Jesus Christ as your personal Lord and Savior (Rom 10:9-13)



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“... the word of our God shall stand for ever” (Isa 40:8).