CORINTH CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

FOR WHOM DID JESUS DIE? (Part 2)

SCRIPTURE READING:

- o "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 3:16-17).
- o "For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures" (1 Cor 15:3).
- o "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" (2 Cor 5:21).
- Christ died for us when we were "without strength, ... ungodly ... sinners ... enemies" of the Cross of Christ (Rom 5:6-10; Phil 3:18).

INTRODUCTION:

A. As we transition unto the New Year 2024, let us continue to be vigilant about soul winning and evangelism, which is sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ and His Saving Grace; leading unbelievers to a saving knowledge of the truth – "... believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be Saved (Acts 16:31).

B. Christ Died for the Ungodly

Christ died for the ungodly – not for the good boys and girls, but for ungodly sinners – those who actually were His enemies, who hated Him, to whom He said when they were crucifying Him, "... Father, forgive them; for they know now what they do ..." (Luke 23:34). And, friend, you and I were numbered with the ungodly - (J. Vernon McGee).

This Bible Study is a continuation to Part 1 which was posted online on October 26, 2023. In Part 1 of For Whom Did Jesus Die? covered: (1) Jesus Died For "ALL", (2) Jesus Died For "ALL MEN" and (3) Jesus Died for "US ALL."

PROPOSITION:

For Whom Did Jesus Die? "What Saith the Scriptures?" (Rom 4:3). In Part 2 of this lesson, we will study and Answer the Question "For Whom Did Jesus Die?": (1) Jesus Died for those "Without Strength," (2) Jesus Died for "The Ungodly," (3) Jesus Died for His "Enemies," (4) Jesus Died for "Sinners," (5) Jesus Died for 'Christ Deniers", and (6) Jesus Died for "Every Man."

- I. JESUS DIED FOR THOSE 'WITHOUT STRENGTH" (Rom 5:6)
 - "For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly" (Rom 5:6).
 - o "Without Strength" means weak (physically or morally), worthless, hopeless, useless, helpless, powerless.

A. A person is worthless, powerless and unable to save himself. Powerless to work out their own Salvation.

B. A person cannot do anything on his own behalf to save himself.

- o "That at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world" (Eph 2:12).
- o "But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope" (1 Thess 4:13).

II. JESUS DIED FOR "THE UNGODLY" (Rom 5:6)

- "For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly" (Rom 5:6).
- o "The Ungodly" refers to the wicked, imperfect, not like or unconcerned about God.
- **A.** There is no greatness or goodness in us to commend us to God.
 - o "As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one" (Rom 3:10).
 - o "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God" (Rom 3:23).

B. Sacred to the Memory of Jesus Christ

Sacred to the memory of Jesus Christ. He took our place on the cross and gave His life that we might live, and go to heaven and reign with him. "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, confess Him with thy mouth, and thou shalt be saved and thy house." It is a great salvation that can reach down into the quagmire of filth, pull a young man out and send him out to hunt his mother and fill her days with sunshine. It is a great salvation, for it saves from great sin. The way to salvation is not Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Vassar or Wellesley. Environment and culture can't put you into heaven without you accepting Jesus Christ. It's great. I want to tell you that the way to heaven is a blood-stained way. No man has ever reached it without Jesus Christ and he never will – (Billy Sunday, The Man and His Message, p. 157).

III. <u>JESUS DIED FOR "SINNERS"</u> (Rom 5:8)

- "But God <u>commendeth</u> his love toward us, in that, while we were yet <u>sinners</u>, Christ died for us" (Rom 5:8).
- o "Commendeth" means to demonstrate, to show
- o "Sinners" refers to sinning, disobeying God and His Word, ignoring God's commandments and commands
- A. God demonstrated His love for mankind by sending His Son, Jesus Christ, to die for us.
 - 1. Jesus died in our place and on our behalf. He died as our substitute.
 - 2. God sent Jesus to the world to be the sin-bearer of mankind.

- o "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).
- o "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 3:16).

B. Point To Ponder

It is the <u>Grace</u> of God that saves us, not His love. The love of God was demonstrated when He sent His Son to be our Savior.

o "8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: 9 Not of works, lest any man should boast (Eph 2:8-9).

IV. **JESUS DIED FOR HIS "ENEMIES"** (Rom 5:10)

"For if, when we were <u>enemies</u>, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life" (Rom 5:10).

- o "Enemies" refers to hatred, hostile or opposed to God.
- A. Enemies of God dislike God.
- B. Any person who opposes God, His Word and Purpose is an Enemy of God.

V. JESUS DIED FOR "CHRIST-DENIERS" (2 Peter 2:1)

"But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even <u>denying</u> the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction" (2 Peter 2:1).

False Teachers are the enemies of God (Matt 7:15-10)

A. Beware of False Teachers and their Poisonous Teaching

Their teaching is contrary to the Word of God – such as, Infant Baptism, The Prosperity Gospel, Everybody is Going to Heaven, No one is going to Hell, and There is More Than One Way to Christ. False Teachers point you to themselves rather than to Christ.

- o "But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction" (2 Cor 11:13).
- o "Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils" (1 Tim 4:1).

B. False Teachers minimize sin or deny the consequences of sin.

They make excuses for sin, such as, what transpired is "no big deal," "Everybody is doing it," "It's your body, do as your please," "You are not hurting anybody." And "Nobody will know about it."

C. Satan is the Great Deceiver! (John 8:44-47)

Satan lies to us about God and the truthfulness of His Word. Satan is a liar and the father of lies

For example, In these verses, God commanded Adam and later the Serpent deceived Eve.

- o God commanded ... for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die" (Gen 2:16-17).
- o "And the serpent said unto the woman Ye shall not surely die" (Gen 3:4).
- o "And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression (1 Tim 2:14).

D. Point to Ponder

For the Believer, always obey the Word of God – It is the Final Authority on all matters. God and His Word is always right. Always evaluate any book, CD, Video, or Sermon by God's Word.

Christ died for False Teachers and Christ-Deniers.

VI. <u>JESUS DIED FOR "EVERY MAN"</u> (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 <u>every man</u>" (Heb 2:9).

- "Taste" means to experience, to feel, to partake of .0.
- A. God sent His Son into the world to experience death for "Every Man."
- B. Jesus tasted (experienced) death on our behalf and as Our Substitute so that we would not suffer the punishment we deserve. Jesus died as Man and He died for Man.
 - o "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).
 - o "For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit" (1 Pet 3:18).

C. Point To Ponder:

Christ died for us. He took all the sins of all men of all time upon Himself. Christ died for ALL – "EVERY MAN."

MEMORY VERSE:

"For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit" (Titus 3:5).

CONCLUSION:

A. COME HOME, POOR SINNER

Come home, poor sinner; Why longer roam? Thy Savior's calling, "Come home, come home! Jesus is pleading; He's interceding; Yes, pleading, pleading For thee to come; Come home, poor sinner, Come home, come home.

B. The blood is the only remedy for sin. It is the only way that our sins can be forgiven, and Heaven is our home. We cannot save ourselves, "nothing but the blood of Jesus." Jesus died on the cross and shed His blood for us. His blood washed away all our sins and allows everyone who places their trust in Him to enter Heaven without spot.

Have you been to Jesus for the cleansing flood? Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb? Are garment spotless, are they white as snow? Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb?

C. ABC's of Salvation

- o A Admit that you're a sinner and that you cannot save yourself (Rom 3:23, Eph 2:8-9).
- B <u>Believe</u> that Jesus died on the Cross and rose again for your sins (Rom 5:8, 1 Cor. 15:3-4).
- o 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).