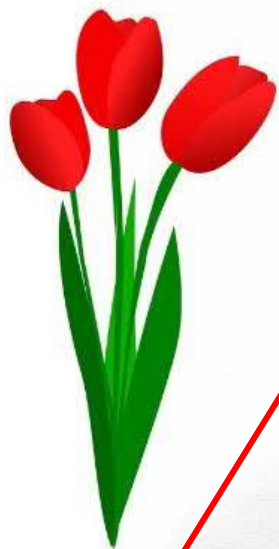


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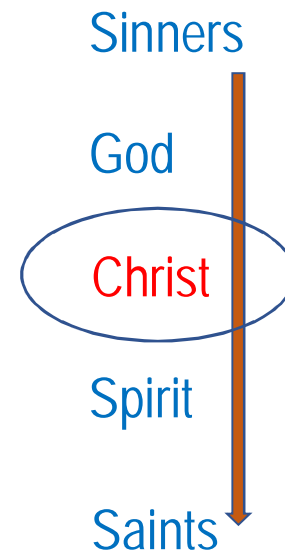
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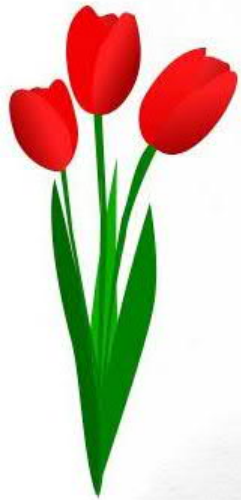
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Definite Atonement; Particular Atonement

5 Points of Calvinism - TULIP



Total Depravity

God is holy, righteous and loving

Unconditional Election

Let God be God, and God will do what God wills

Limited Atonement

Jesus calls His own sheep by name

Irresistible Grace

Perseverance of the Saints

Limited atonement **does not mean** that Jesus' atoning work is limited in power.

Limited to the
elects only



It means **sufficient for all**, but **efficient only for the elects**

To whom did Jesus pay the price to?



God

even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." (Mat 20:28)

for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body. (1 Cor 6:20)

And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, (Rev 5:9)

And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear **him** who can destroy both soul and body in hell. (Mat 10:28)

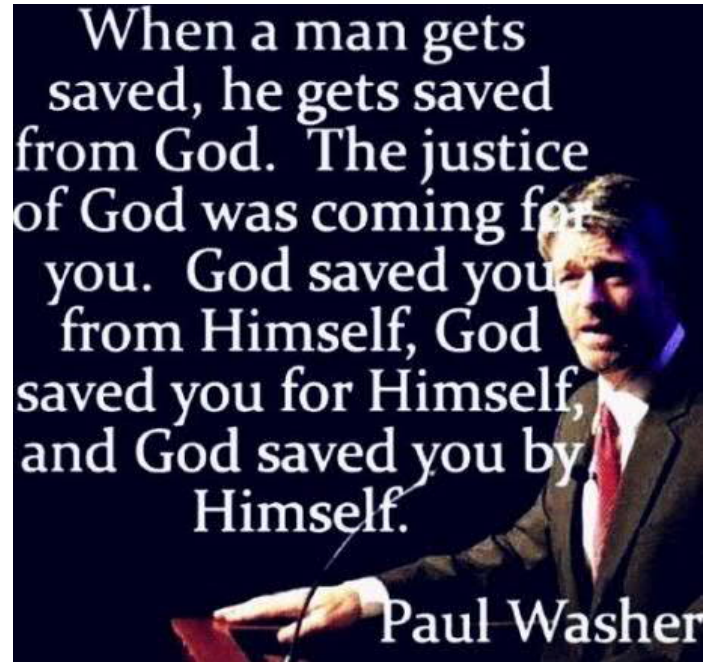


Who?

"I tell you, my friends, do not fear those who kill the body, and after that have nothing more that they can do. ⁵ But I will warn you whom to fear: fear **him** who, after he has killed, has authority to cast into hell.(Luke 12:5)

Only God has the authority to cast
sinners into hell

If man is saved, he is saved from GOD



It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God. (Heb 10:31)

When we say a believer is saved, what is he saved from?

Hell ?

Satan?

Death?

Sin?

Saved from **God's wrath**



and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come. (1 The 1 :10)



1. Eternal wrath in hell
2. Eschatological wrath
3. Cataclysmic wrath (flood/Sodom & Gomorrah)
4. Consequential wrath (sowing & reaping)
5. Wrath of abandonment

Wrath of abandonment

God removes all restraints

God gave them over (NASB)

heart

Therefore God **gave them up** in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, to the dishonoring of their bodies among themselves, ²⁵ because they exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever! Amen. (Ro 1:24)



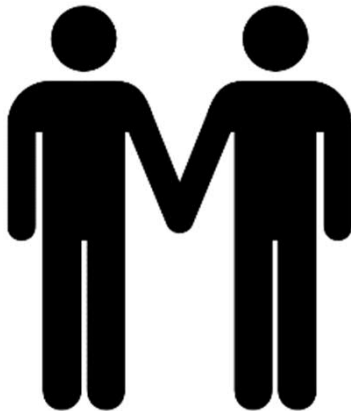
"You shall have no other gods before me. (Ex 20:3)

...for the Lord....is a jealous God. (Ex 34:14)

God gave them over (NASB)

deed

For this reason God **gave them up** to dishonorable passions. For their women exchanged natural relations for those that are contrary to nature; ²⁷ and the men likewise gave up natural relations with women and were consumed with passion for one another, men committing shameless acts with men and receiving in themselves the due penalty for their error. (Ro 1:26)



God gave them over (NASB)

And since they did not see fit to acknowledge God, God gave them up to a debased mind to do what ought not to be done. (Ro 1:28)

mind



Though they know God's righteous decree that those who practice such things deserve to die, they not only do them but give approval to those who practice them. (Ro 1:32)

Consequential wrath

Sowing & reaping

Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. (Gal 6:7-8)

Cataclysmic wrath

Flood, Sodom & Gomorrah

God's wrath

For in seven days I will send rain on the earth forty days and forty nights, and every living thing that I have made I will blot out from the face of the ground." (Gen 7:4)



Waters prevailed 150 days



Sodom & Gomorrah

Then the Lord rained on Sodom and Gomorrah sulfur and fire from the Lord out of heaven. (Gen 19:24)

Escatological wrath

7 years tribulation















THE SEVEN SEALS OF REVELATION

FIRST SEAL	SECOND SEAL	THIRD SEAL	FOURTH SEAL	FIFTH SEAL	SIXTH SEAL	SEVENTH SEAL
WHITE HORSE	RED HORSE	BLACK HORSE	PALE HORSE	MARTYRS CRY OUT	CELESTIAL SIGNS	RAPTURE
						
Rev 6:2 Had a Bow Given a Crown Went out Conquering	Rev 6:4 Peace Removed Violence breaks out Has Sword	Rev 6:5-6 Balance Scales Huge Inflation Oil & Wine Spared	Rev 6:8 Death has Hades with him 1/4th earth Killed with sword, famine, death & beasts	Rev 6:9-11 Martyrs cry out How long? Not until number of brethren to be killed is complete	Rev 6:12-17 Earth quakes Sun darkens moon turns red Stars fall Sky Recedes like a scroll	Rev 8:1 Heaven silent about half hour Rev 11:12 Come up Here!

Rev 6 - 8

7 Bowls of Wrath

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7
						
						
Rev. 16:2	Rev. 16:3	Rev. 16:4-7	Rev. 16:8-9	Rev. 16:10-11	Rev. 16:12-16	Rev. 16:17-21
Malignant ulcers appear on those with the mark of the Beast.	Sea turns to blood, all living creatures in the sea die.	Drinking water turns to blood; men given blood to drink.	The sun becomes extremely hot, and scorches men.	Antichrist's kingdom struck with darkness.	Euphrates river dried up, armies gathered for Armageddon.	Worldwide earthquake, cities collapse, 120lb hailstones fall from the sky

Rev 16

THE SEVEN TRUMPETS

1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th
Green grass and 1/3 of the trees are burned up. Rev. 8:7	1/3 of sea becomes blood; 1/3 of ships and sea life destroyed. Rev. 8:8-9	1/3 of waters turn bitter. Rev. 8:11-11	1/3 of sun, moon, and stars do not shine. Rev. 8:12	"Locusts" wield the Beast's military power. Rev. 9:1-12	200-million- man army; a third of mankind killed. Rev. 9:13-21	The Kingdom of God is declared. Rev. 11:15-19

Rev 8 - 11

¹⁷ The seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple, from the throne, saying, "It is done!" ¹⁸ And there were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, and a great earthquake such as there had never been since man was on the earth, so great was that earthquake. ¹⁹ The great city was split into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell, and God remembered Babylon the great, to make her drain the cup of the wine of the fury of his wrath. ²⁰ And every island fled away, and no mountains were to be found. ²¹ And great hailstones, about one hundred pounds each, fell from heaven on people; and they cursed God for the plague of the hail, because the plague was so severe. (Rev 16:17-21)

Eternal wrath

In hell

They will suffer the punishment of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the **glory** of his might, (2 The 1:9)



Engulfing darkness without relief
Torturous and endless fire burning
Agony, pain and suffering
Horrific torment and misery
Weeping and gnashing of teeth, wailing
Anguish, anger, fear
Worm does not die

he also will drink the wine of **God's wrath**, poured full strength into the cup of his anger, and he will be tormented with fire and sulfur in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb. (Rev 14:10)

The beast (antichrist) and false prophet

And the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who in its presence had done the signs by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped its image. These two were thrown alive into the lake of fire that burns with sulfur. (Rev 19:20)

The satan



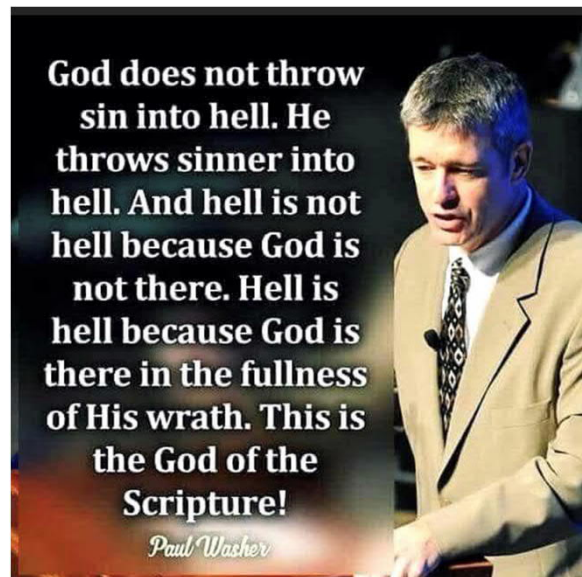
and the devil who had deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and sulfur where the beast and the false prophet were, and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever. (Rev 20:10)

The unregenerate (the goats)

And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire. (Rev 20:15)

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth. (Ro 1:18)

But because of your hard and impenitent heart you are storing up wrath for yourself on the day of wrath when God's righteous judgment will be revealed. (Ro 2:5)



Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. (Rom 5:9)

Let's look upon the Saviour of our salvation,
Lord Jesus Christ

he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him. (Isa 53:2b)



manger



donkey



death

He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. (Isa 53:3)

The sentiment of Christ

³³ When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and greatly troubled. ³⁴ And he said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." ³⁵ Jesus wept. (John 11:33-35)

Not because of mourning for Lazarus, since Jesus will be raising Lazarus in a while

Out of deep grief for a fallen world, entangled in sin, resulting in death and sorrows



Jesus' last public preaching and teaching

²⁷ "Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. ²⁸ Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "**I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.**" (John 12:27-28)

Jesus' soul was so troubled that He asked questions to Himself –
"save me from this hour"?

horror, anxiety, agitation in Jesus' soul



After washing the disciples' feet

After saying these things, Jesus was troubled in his spirit, and testified, "Truly, truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me." (John 13:21)

Jesus was getting troubled in his spirit

Jesus was facing the betrayal of his disciple



Jesus was concerned for His disciples

John 14 – Jesus said:

V1 – “Let not your hearts be troubled”

V18 – “I will not leave you as orphans”

V27 – “Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid”



John 15 – Jesus said:

V18 – “if the world hates you, know that it has hated me before...”

V20 – “they will also persecute you”

Jesus was concerned for His disciples

John 16 – Jesus said:

V1 – “They will put you out of the synagogues.”

V2 – “...whoever kills you”

V6 – “sorrow has filled your heart.”

V20 – “you will weep and lament...you will be sorrowful”

V22 – “you have sorrow now”

V32 – “you will be scattered”

V33 – “in the world you will have tribulation”



Jesus was sorrowful, yet concerned for His disciples

³⁷ And taking with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, he began to be sorrowful and troubled. ³⁸ Then he said to them, "My soul is very sorrowful, even to death; remain here, and watch with me." (Mat 26:37)

Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." (Mat 26:41)



What makes Jesus so troubled that he had to pray 3 times "if you are willing, remove the cup...."?



What is in this cup?



Matthew 26: sorrowful, troubled to death, fell on the face

Mark 14: greatly distressed, troubled, "my soul is very sorrowful", "**Abba** Father"

Luke 22 : knelt down, agony, prayed earnestly, sweat like drops of blood, angel came to strengthen him

Jesus prayed in the garden of Gethsemane

saying, "Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done." (Luke 22:42)



This cup brought anguish, distress and sorrow to Jesus that He pleaded to the Father to remove, if possible

The crucifixion of Jesus



Physical torture and death
were only one aspect



The death of the apostles of Jesus

Crucified



Simon Peter

Crucified



Andrew

Beheaded



James

Exiled



John

Crucified



Philip

Speared



Thomas



Matthew



James the son of Alphaeus



Thaddeus



Simon



Judas



Bartholomew

Stabbed

Stoned

Arrowed

Crucified

Suicide

Beheaded

Jesus was in great agony and distress:

1. Jesus will be the sin - bearer

2. Jesus will be separated from the Father

3. Jesus will face the full wrath of God



1. Jesus Christ will be the sin - bearer

he was perfect and holy, has never known sin, never associated with sin, but he soon will become a sin-bearer, taking upon himself the full sins of all redeemed sinners who had ever lived

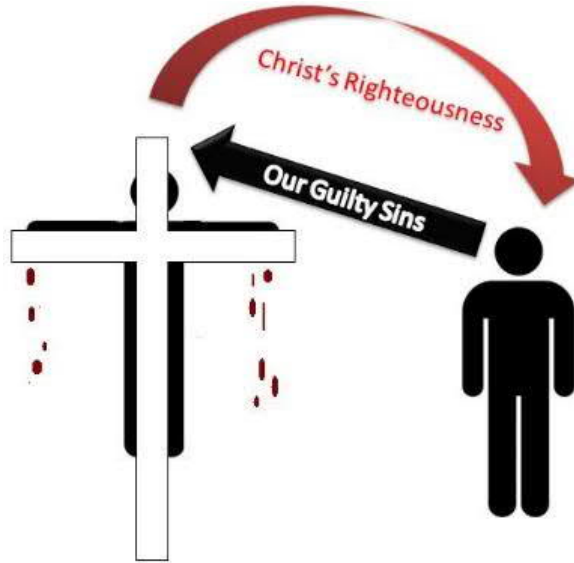
Man is inclined to sin; man struggles to be holy

Jesus is eternally holy; struggled to be the sin-bearer

Jesus our Lord, ²⁵ who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification. (Ro 4:25)

Substitution

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. (2 Cor 5:21)



Doctrine of Imputation

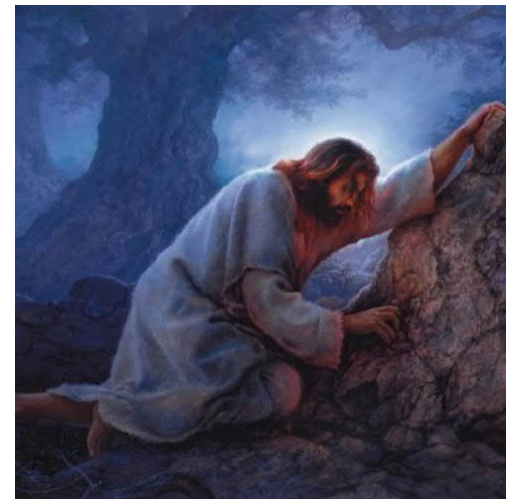
The Father publicly spoke to The Son 3 times



and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." (Mat 3:17)



And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!" (Luke 9:35)



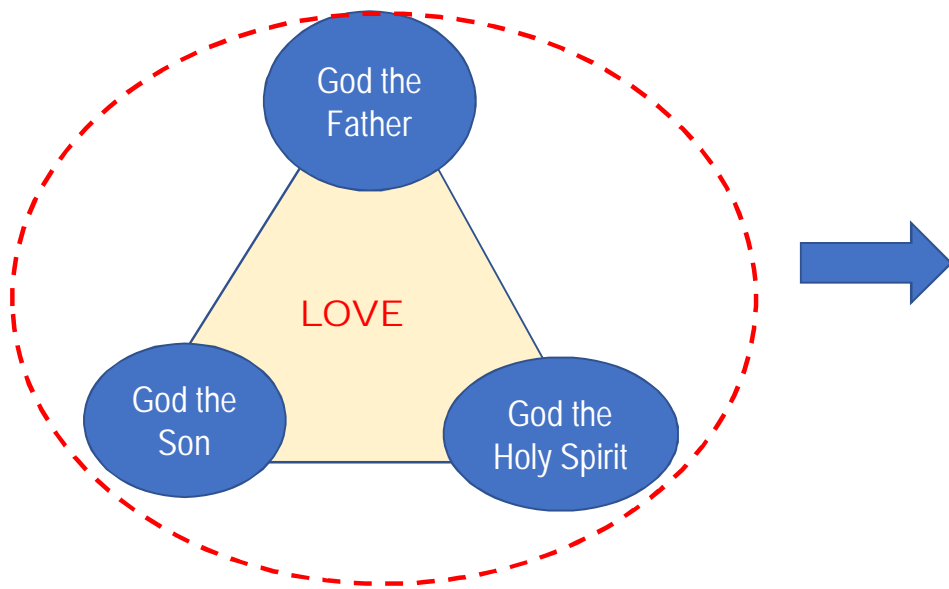
Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." (Jn 12:28)

2. Jesus will be separated from the Father

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

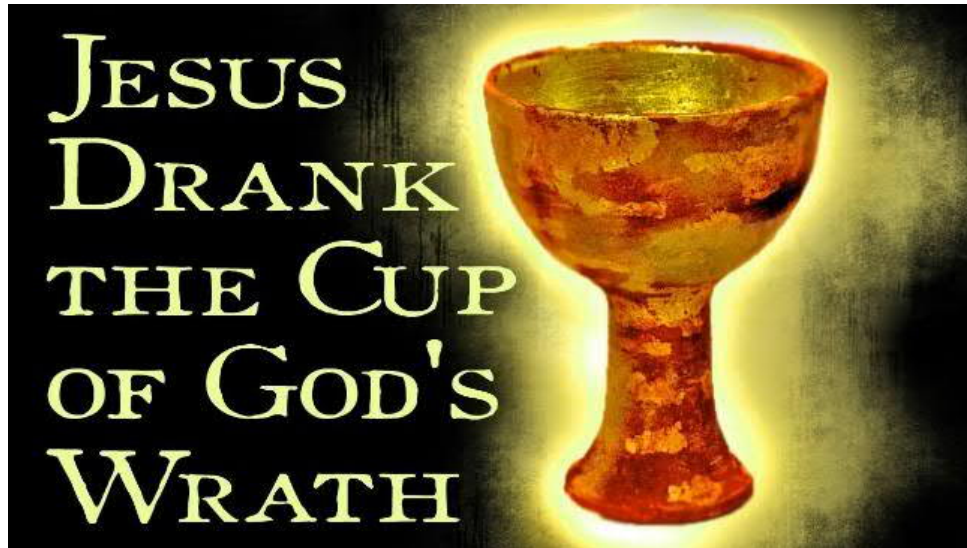
Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?

² O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer,
and by night, but I find no rest. (Ps 22:1-2)



3. Jesus will face the full wrath of God

God's full anger and fury poured out against the sin-bearer

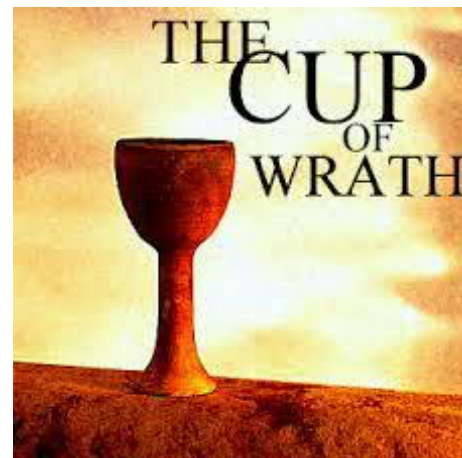


God's wrath is poured full strength in hell

Thus the LORD, the God of Israel, said to me: "Take from my hand this cup of the wine of wrath, and make all the nations to whom I send you drink it. (Jer 25:15)

Let their own eyes see their destruction,
and let them drink of the wrath of the Almighty. (Job 20:21)

.....you who have drunk from the hand of the LORD the cup of his wrath, (Isa 51:17)



Jesus saved us by being crushed under God's wrath

But the LORD was **pleased**
To **crush** Him, putting Him to grief; (Isa 53:10a-NASB)



Yet it was the **will** of the LORD to **crush** him; (ESV)

But he was **pierced** for our transgressions;
he was **crushed** for our iniquities;
upon him was the **chastisement** that brought us peace,
and with his **wounds** we are healed. (Isa 53:5)

Propitiation

²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. (Ro 3:23-25)

Propitiation: Hilasmos (Greek), actual satisfaction of God's anger, placates God's wrath forever, appease



Propitiation

Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. (Heb 2:17)

In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. (1 John 4:10)

The prayers of the Pharisee and the tax collector

But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' (Luke 18:13)




Hilaskomai: to be propitious, make propitiation for

Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. (Heb 2:17)

EVERY SIN
IN THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD
WILL EITHER BE
PUNISHED
IN HELL
OR PUNISHED
IN CHRIST.

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He drove out the man, (Gen 3:24a)

Jesus died, not as a sinner, but as a sin-bearer, to bear the sins of the believers, to be crushed under the wrath of God, fully satisfied God's demand of righteousness, fully paid the price for the forgiveness of sins and redemption of his people.





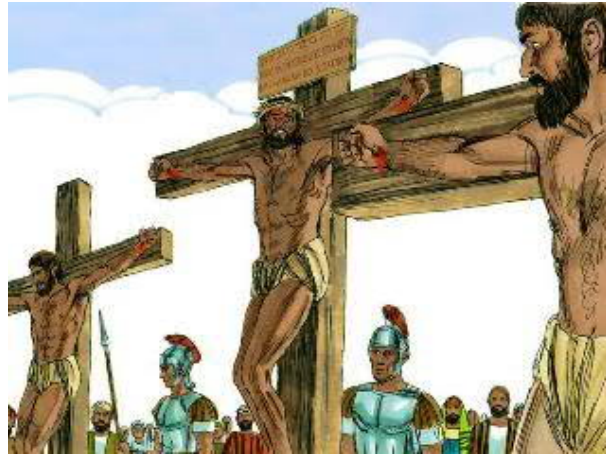
The high priest, chief priest and leaders schemed against Jesus
The Romans arrested and tortured Jesus
The crowd jeered and mocked Jesus
One disciple betrayed Jesus and one disciple denied Jesus
The disciples were scattered and fled far away from Jesus
The women were watching Jesus from far away

Only 1 man understood the salvation of Jesus Christ on the cross that day.



God miraculously, sovereignly, powerfully and instantly gave eternal life to one man just before their death

³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?" ⁴¹ And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴² And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³ And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise." (Luke 23:39-43)



And the robbers who were crucified with him also reviled him in the same way. ⁴⁵ Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. (Mat 27:44)

"Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise." (Luke 23:43)

12 noon
(6th hour)

"Woman, behold, your son!"
...."Behold, your mother!" (John 19:26-27)

"Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." (Luke 23:34)

9 am



"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" (Mat 27:46)

"I thirst." (John 19:28)

"It is finished," John 19:30)

3 pm

"Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!" (Luke 23:46)

Acknowledged that there is a God
who is holy, righteous and just

Acknowledged he was
justly condemned

V40 -"Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹ And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.

Acknowledged the holiness and perfection of Jesus

Confessed his desire to follow
Jesus into His kingdom

Acknowledged that
there is life after death

Acknowledged Jesus is the
Messiah and King

Acknowledged there will
be a future kingdom

V42 "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

Acknowledged that there is no other hope but Jesus

- Convicted by the Holy Spirit
- Seeking forgiveness, mercy and grace from Jesus, a plea from a sinner
- Total transformation > new creature

What happened in that last living moment of the thief that brought him salvation?



The Spirit has
regenerated him



He has repented
and believed

The words of Jesus has brought him:

- repentance and faith in Jesus
- forgiveness and cleansing
- eternal life in the kingdom

"Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise."

Lift up your heads, O gates!
And lift them up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.
¹⁰ Who is this King of glory?
The LORD of hosts,
he is the King of glory! (Ps 24:9-10)



For a believer, what are we cleansed by?

Blood

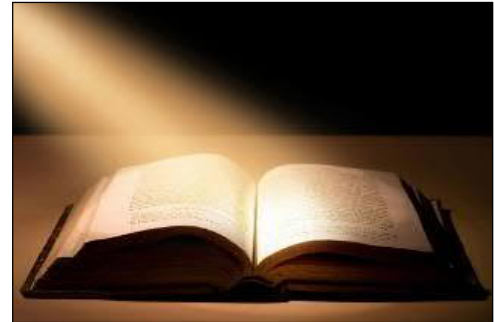
But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the **blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us** from all sin. (1 John 1:7)

Spirit

And such were some of you. But **you were washed**, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and **by the Spirit of our God**. (1 Cor 6:11)

Word

that he might sanctify her, having **cleansed her by the washing of water with the word**,²⁷ so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. (Eph 5:26-27)



1. Substitution – Jesus' righteousness imputed onto us, and He bore all our sins

2. Propitiation – Jesus died to satisfy the demands of God's righteous judgment for our sins

3. Reconciliation

For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. (Ro 5:10)

that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. (2 Cor 5:19)

he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, (Eph 1:5)

And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" (Gal 4:6)

For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. (Ro 8:29)

Jesus said:

Unconditional election

Limited atonement

13 Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. (John 13:1)

Total depravity

Irresistible grace

Perseverance of the saints

¹⁴ I am the good shepherd. I know **my own** and **my own** know me, ¹⁵ just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for **the sheep**. (Jn 10:14-15)



Legally declared

Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. (Ro 5:9)

Summary

Jesus' atonement work on the cross is sufficient for all, but effective for His elects

Jesus' redemption work was a price paid to God the Father

We are saved by God's grace, from God's wrath, for God's glory

Jesus became a sin-bearer, separated from God and bore the full wrath of God's anger towards sin, for His own sheep

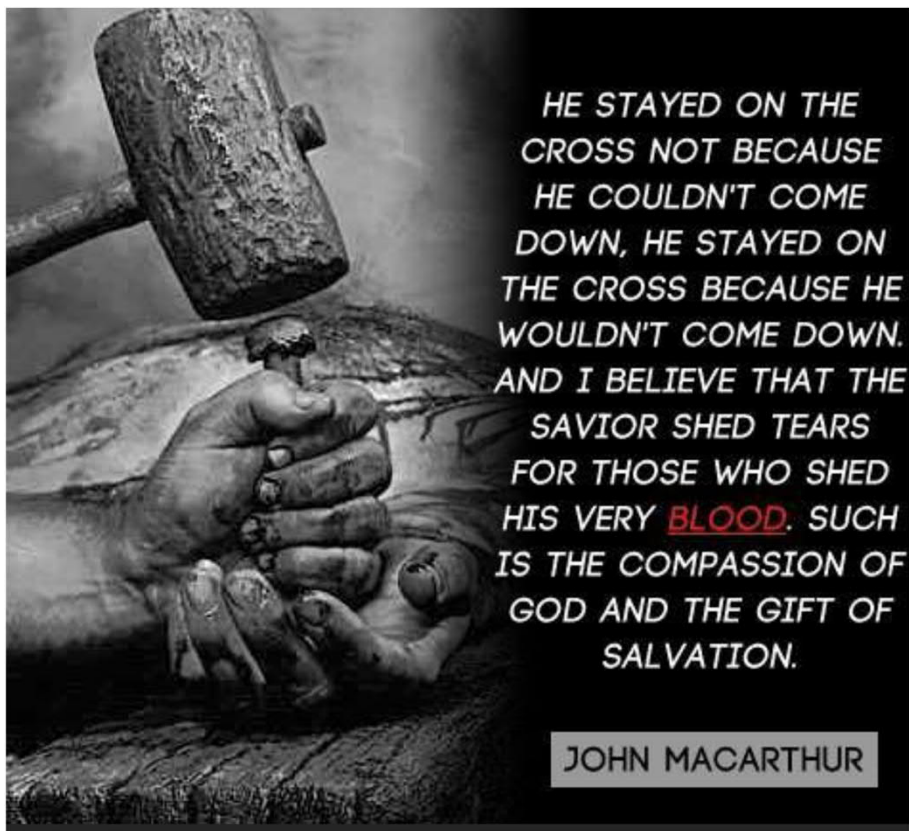
Jesus' death fulfilled propitiation, substitution and reconciliation works for the elects

The elects are adopted as children of God, conforming to the image of the Son

No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father."(John 10:18)



For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. (Jn 6:38)



HE STAYED ON THE
CROSS NOT BECAUSE
HE COULDN'T COME
DOWN, HE STAYED ON
THE CROSS BECAUSE HE
WOULDN'T COME DOWN.
AND I BELIEVE THAT THE
SAVIOR SHED TEARS
FOR THOSE WHO SHED
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IS THE COMPASSION OF
GOD AND THE GIFT OF
SALVATION.

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End

Mat 13:24-30

Mat 22:1-14