

Are You Guilty Before God?

Have you ever felt guilty before the Creator? Yes, we all have. There is a reason for this. We are guilty due to our sin. When the first man, Adam, sinned against God, Adam knew he was guilty.

Genesis 3:8-11 ...Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden. And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where *art* thou? And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I *was* naked; and I hid myself. And he said, Who told thee that thou *wast* naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?

Who told Adam that he was guilty before God? His conscience did. Conscience is an “inner, utterless voice” that tells us we are guilty against a holy God. We are all accountable to God:

Psalms 96:13 Before the LORD: for he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth: he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth.

Romans 14:10 But why dost thou judge thy brother? or why dost thou set at nought thy brother? for we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ.

Romans 14:12 So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God.

God is Holy

Here are some Bible accounts of the holiness of God:

Exodus 3:2-6 And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush *was* not consumed. And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt. And when the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here *am* I. And he said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest *is* holy ground. Moreover he said, I *am* the God of thy father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. And Moses hid his face; for he was afraid to look upon God.

Exodus 33:18-23 And he said, I beseech thee, shew me thy glory. And he said, I will make all my goodness pass before thee, and I will proclaim the name of the LORD before thee; and will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will shew mercy on whom I will shew mercy. And he said, Thou canst not see my face: for there shall no man see me, and live. And the LORD said, Behold, *there is* a place by me, and thou shalt stand upon a rock: And it shall come to pass, while my glory passeth by, that I will put thee in a clift of the rock, and will cover thee with my hand while I pass by: And I will take away mine hand, and thou shalt see my back parts: but my face shall not be seen.

Isaiah 6:1-5 In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple. Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly. And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, *is* the LORD of hosts: the whole earth *is* full of his glory. And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke. Then said I, Woe *is* me! for I am undone; because I *am* a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts.

Daniel 7:9-14 I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment *was* white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne *was like* the fiery flame, *and* his wheels *as* burning fire. A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened... I saw in the night visions, and, behold, *one* like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion *is* an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom *that* which shall not be destroyed.

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Man is Sinful

Romans 3:10 As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one.

Romans 3:12-14 They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one. Their throat *is* an open sepulchre; with their tongues they have used deceit; the poison of asps *is* under their lips: Whose mouth *is* full of cursing and bitterness:

Romans 3:23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.

Ps. 58:3 The wicked are estranged from the womb: they go astray as soon as they be born, speaking lies.

Ecclesiastes 7:20 For *there is* not a just man upon earth, that doeth good, and sinneth not.

One may think, "But I am a good person." God sees all our sinful thoughts, words and deeds.

James 2:10 For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one *point*, he is guilty of all.

All the good we do cannot make us right with God:

Isaiah 64:6 But we are all as an unclean *thing*, and all our righteousnesses *are* as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.

Punishment for Sin

1 Corinthians 6:9-10 Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

Revelation 21:8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

Matthew 25:46 And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

Mark 9:43-48 And if thy hand offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter into life maimed, than having two hands to go into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched: Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched. And if thy foot offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter halt into life, than having two feet to be cast into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched: Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched. And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out: it is better for thee to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire: Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.

We are found guilty due to our sin before a holy God. Our conscience has told us on the inside that we are guilty.

Romans 3:19 Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God.

Love of God

1 John 4:8 He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.

John 3:16 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.

1 John 3:16 Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.

The way for sinful man to approach a holy God is through an offering. The offering that forgives sin is the Blood of Jesus Christ as a sacrifice for sin.

Hebrews 9:22 And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission.

God loved this sinful world enough to provide an offering in Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ loved you enough to provide you with this offering of His own Blood. While Jesus was on the cross, He said:

Matthew 27:46 And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, **My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?**

Why did God the Father allow Jesus Christ to be forsaken on the cross? He was bearing our sins – and God the Father accepts this as the one offering for sin.

Isaiah 53:10 Yet it **pleased the LORD to bruise him**; he hath put *him* to grief: when **thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin**, he shall see *his* seed, he shall prolong *his* days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

2 Corinthians 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.

On the cross, Jesus was bearing the sins of the whole world; the Lord had laid on him the iniquity of us all. There was no one to comfort him in his heaviness; and the light of God's countenance was for the time withdrawn from him. He was "left alone" that he might bear man's sins in their full and crushing weight, and by bearing those sins, He could forgive and save.

Hebrews 1:3 Who being the brightness of *his* glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when **he had by himself purged our sins**, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;

The Value of His Blood:

1 Peter 1:18-19 Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, *as* silver and gold, from your vain conversation *received* by tradition from your fathers; But with the **precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:**

Romans 3:25 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;

Blood Must Be Applied

The Holy Bible calls Jesus – our Passover:

1 Corinthians 5:7 Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even **Christ our passover** is sacrificed for us.

This word "Passover" refers back to an account in the book of Exodus, chapter 12. The Children of Israel were to take an innocent lamb and shed its blood **and apply** that blood to the door-posts of their houses. When they did this, judgment was spared.

Exodus 12:13 And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye *are*: and **when I see the blood, I will pass over you**, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy *you*, when I smite the land of Egypt.

God was teaching us that the Blood of Jesus Christ must be applied to your heart to be forgiven. By faith, you turn from your sins and trust His Blood for forgiveness. I did this 35 years ago, and all my guilt for sin was removed. You should turn to the Creator – and in a simple prayer – ask Him to forgive your sins – and trust in the offering for your sins – the offering of the Blood of Jesus Christ.

If you have received Jesus Christ as your personal Savior, then there is no condemnation for you.

Romans 8:1 *There is* therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

John 3:18 He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

John 5:24 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

Only the offering of the Blood of Jesus Christ has the power to give us a clean heart and remove the guilt of sin.

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

All Guilt & Sin Removed

Romans 4:5 But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness.

Romans 4:6 Even as David also describeth the blessedness of the man, unto whom God imputeth righteousness without works, (imputeth means to put on your account)

Romans 4:7 *Saying*, Blessed *are* they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered.

Romans 4:8 Blessed *is* the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin.

John 8:32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.