

“The Sacrifice & Offering of Jesus Christ”

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Sacrifice & Offering

Leviticus 1:4 And he shall put his hand upon the head of the burnt offering; and it shall be accepted for him to make atonement for him.

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;

Who He is: Who being the brightness of *his* glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power...

What He did: he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high...

Hebrews 10:10-12 By the which will we are sanctified through the **offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all**. And every priest standeth daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins: But this man, after he had **offered one sacrifice for sins for ever**, sat down on the right hand of God;

Jesus Christ offered His body once for all / and offered His blood one sacrifice for sins for ever.

This is THE message of the Gospel. The good news – your sins have been paid for. The one sacrifice has been made. Your eternal destiny hinges on this.

You need to really this about this. Your eternal destiny hinges on this.

The central theme of the Bible is the Lord Jesus Christ. The O.T. points to Christ to come and the N.T. points back to the Christ that came to pay for your sins with His blood.

- The Passover Lamb of Exo. 12

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:

- The Serpent in the Wilderness of Numb. 21

John 3:14 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up:

- The Rock in the Wilderness

1 Corinthians 10:4 And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ.

- The Manna in the Wilderness

John 6:33 For the bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world.

John 6:35 And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.

The 4 Gospels – Why 4? To give a more complete picture of Jesus Christ

Matthew	King	Jews
Mark	Servant	Romans
Luke	Perfect Man	Greeks
John	God	World

4 Gospels: To show us that Christ is: For all – Jews, Romans, Greeks, World

The Lord Jesus Christ is 100% God and 100% Man
JOHN LUKE

But He is also 100% King and 100% Servant
MATTHEW MARK

In Leviticus, we have 5 offerings given. They will correspond with Hebrews 10:10-12

Burnt Offering Lev. 1:4	Meal Offering (Meat) Lev. 2:1
Peace Offering Lev. 3:1	Sin Offering Lev. 4:3
Trespass Offering Lev. 5:6	

All 5 of these offerings point to Christ and a different aspect of His work on the Cross.

Burnt Offering Points to Christ the	Perfect Servant
Meal Offering Points to Christ the	Perfect Son
Peace Offering Points to Christ the	Perfect Serenity
Sin Offering Points to Christ the	Perfect Sacrifice
Trespass Offering Points to Christ the	Perfect Solution

1) Burnt Offering Christ, the Perfect Servant

Burn it all

Leviticus 1:9 But his inwards and his legs shall he wash in water: and the **priest shall burn all on the altar, to be** a burnt sacrifice, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

Leviticus 1:13 But he shall wash the inwards and the legs with water: and the **priest shall bring it all, and burn it upon the altar:** it is a burnt sacrifice, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

Burning all on the altar points to Christ offering Himself up entirely to God – all went up to God. God is satisfied with the work of the Son toward the Father.

Before Christ could be Savior to the world – as sin and trespass offering – He had to satisfy the demands of a holy God.

Leviticus 1:3 If his offering *be* a burnt sacrifice of the herd, let him offer a male without blemish: he shall offer it of his own voluntary will at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation before the LORD.

However, Christ did not bring any sacrifice – He was the sacrifice.

Hebrews 7:27 Who needeth not daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifice, first for his own sins, and then for the people's: for this he did once, **when he offered up himself**.

Leviticus 1:4 And he shall put his hand upon the head of the burnt offering; and it shall be **accepted for him to make atonement for him**.

On the Great Day of Atonement, the High Priest would bring the Blood into the Holy of Holies and offer it for an atonement – and then again the next year – do it all over again.

Christ was the High Priest / He was Sacrifice / It was His own Blood / Atonement is ONCE FOR ALL

Reread Heb. 10:10-12

Leviticus 1:4 And **he shall put his hand upon the head of the burnt offering**; and it shall be accepted for him to make atonement for him.

They laid their hands on it – identification with the sacrifice. This teaches us that Bible salvation is when you identify / you accept it for yourself – the sacrifice of the Blood of Jesus Christ.

This message will ring in your ears for eternity.

Either it will ring – I am sooo glad I laid my hands on the sacrifice of Jesus Christ & I identified myself as a sinner & got saved or

It will ring an eternal damnation – an eternal regret – that you would spurn the Blood of Jesus Christ.

2) Meal Offering Perfect Son – His humanity

This was a bloodless offering – pictured Christ as sinless humanity

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.

1 John 3:5 And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and **in him is no sin**.

1 Peter 2:22 **Who did no sin**, neither was guile found in his mouth:

Meat / Meal Offering points to the sinless humanity of Jesus Christ. This was a bloodless offering.

3) Peace Offering Perfect Serenity

Ephesians 2:14 For **he is our peace**, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition *between us*;

Romans 5:1 Therefore being **justified by faith, we have peace with God** through our Lord Jesus Christ:

4) Sin Offering Perfect Sacrifice

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.

5) Trespass Offering Perfect Solution

1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

He gave Himself

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;

Hebrews 7:27 Who needeth not daily, as those high priests, to **offer up sacrifice**, first for his own sins, and then for the people's: for this he did once, **when he offered up himself**.

Galatians 2:20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the **Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me**.

John 10:17-18 Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again. **No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself**. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father.

Romans 5:10 For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.

Where do I stand?

I accepted Jesus Christ as My Personal Savior 38 years ago – I stand redeemed by the Blood of the Lamb.

I stand in Heb. 10:14:

Hebrews 10:14 For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.

How about you?

Sacrifice, Offering & Sweet Smelling Savour

Ephesians 5:2 And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an **offering** and a **sacrifice** to God for a **sweet smelling savour**.

Leviticus 1:9 But his inwards and his legs shall he wash in water: and the priest shall burn all on the altar, *to be* a burnt **sacrifice**, an **offering** made by fire, of a **sweet savour** unto the LORD.

Leviticus 1:13 But he shall wash the inwards and the legs with water: and the priest shall bring *it* all, and burn *it* upon the altar: *it is* a burnt **sacrifice**, an **offering** made by fire, of a **sweet savour** unto the LORD.

Leviticus 1:17 And he shall cleave it with the wings thereof, *but* shall not divide *it* asunder: and the priest shall burn it upon the altar, upon the wood that *is* upon the fire: *it is* a burnt **sacrifice**, an **offering** made by fire, of a **sweet savour** unto the LORD.

Offering –	Self Surrender	Hebrews 10:10
Sacrifice –	Suffering on Calvary	Hebrews 9:26
Sweet Smelling Savour -	Satisfaction by God	Eph. 5:2

1) Offering Eph. 5:2, Heb. 10:10

Self surrender. Christ gave all – reasonable to ask you to give all Rom. 12:1

Lev. 1:1-4 & 1:9 “own voluntary will” vs. 3

Bring offering vs. 2 - Christ didn’t bring the offering, He was the offering

Self surrender Phil. 2:8, John 10:17-18, Matt. 26:53, John 15:13

Hebrews 10:10 By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once *for all*.

Leviticus 1:3 If his offering *be* a burnt sacrifice of the herd, let him offer a male without blemish: he shall offer it of his own voluntary will at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation before the LORD.

At Gethsemane, Jesus surrendered His all. “Not my will be done, but thine...”

2) Sacrifice

Sacrifice – Suffering on Calvary Lev. 1:5, Heb 9:26, Heb. 10:12

His blood was not spilt – spilt is an accident. It was shed – for our sins.

Jesus took His blood to heaven – to the mercy seat. Heb. 9:12, 9:24

That Blood is Incorruptible 1 Pet. 1:18-19

To reject that Blood – there is no “plan B” Heb. 10:26c

The O.T. pointed to Christ. The following describes how deeply Jesus was wounded for our transgressions.

Lev. 1:5	Kill	Lev. 1:6	Flay, cut in pieces
Lev. 1:8	Lay the parts	Lev. 1:9	Burn all
Lev. 1:15	Wring off the head	Lev. 1;16	Pluck all off
Lev. 1:17	Separate and burn it		

Innocent Animals: 1:3 of field / 1:10 of the flock / 1:14 of the fowl

Psalms chapter 22 describes his suffering

Rejection

Psalms 22:6-8 But I *am* a worm, and no man; a reproach of men, and despised of the people. All they that see me laugh me to scorn: they shoot out the lip, they shake the head, *saying*, He trusted on the LORD *that* he would deliver him: let him deliver him, seeing he delighted in him.

Physical Suffering

Psalms 22:14-17 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint: my heart is like wax; it is melted in the midst of my bowels. My strength is dried up like a potsherd; and my tongue cleaveth to my jaws; and thou hast brought me into the dust of death. For dogs have compassed me: the assembly of the wicked have inclosed me: they pierced my hands and my feet. I may tell all my bones: they look *and* stare upon me.

Ephesians 2:4 But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us...

3) Sweet Smelling Savour Eph. 5:2

The one question --- Not what you think of Calvary
 Not what value you place on Calvary
 The one question --- Is what does God the Father think
 Is what value does God the Father place

The sweet smelling savour arose into the nostrils of God..."This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

The Blood appeases the wrath of a holy God.

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.

Isaiah 53:11 He shall see of the travail of his soul, *and* shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.

Are you justified by His Blood? It is the only payment for sins.

Jesus in the O.T.

Ephesians 5:2 And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour.

Three different animals

Leviticus 1:3 If his offering **be a burnt sacrifice of the herd**, let him offer a male without blemish: he shall offer it of his own voluntary will at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation before the LORD.

Leviticus 1:10 And if his offering **be of the flocks**, *namely*, of the sheep, or of the goats, for a burnt sacrifice; he shall bring it a male without blemish.

Leviticus 1:14 And if **the burnt sacrifice** for his offering to the LORD **be of fowls**, then he shall bring his offering of turtledoves, or of young pigeons.

Everyone was to bring an offering

If they were wealthy, they brought an offering of the field; if middle income, they brought an offering of the flocks and if poor, they brought an offering of the fowl.

Everyone needs to be saved. Wealthy – you need Jesus / commoner – you need Jesus / poor – you need Jesus.

2 Corinthians 8:9 For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich.

There was a cost involved – nothing is free

An innocent bullock, an innocent sheep or goat, or an innocent turtledove or pigeon would give their life for an offering.

1 Corinthians 6:20 For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

Acts 20:28 Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.

Revelation 5:9 And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;

Bring your best

If a pigeon was the best one could bring – all ok with God. He just wants your best.

Malachi 1:13 Ye said also, Behold, what a weariness *is it!* and ye have snuffed at it, saith the LORD of hosts; and ye brought *that which was* torn, and the lame, and the sick; thus ye brought an offering: should I accept this of your hand? saith the LORD.

Malachi 1:14 But cursed *be* the deceiver, which hath in his flock a male, and voweth, and sacrificeth unto the Lord a corrupt thing: for I *am* a great King, saith the LORD of hosts, and my name *is* dreadful among the heathen.

Give the Lord your best. He knows your heart – quit trying to fool humans. Humans are in many ways like demons – manipulative, deceitful, and conniving and devious. Some of those same humans will carry a Bible and think they can fool people – you can. But what does it matter – the True and Living God is the One you need to deal with.

The Offering Represented the Innocent Sinless Jesus Christ

Leviticus 1:8-9 And the priests, Aaron's sons, shall lay the parts, the **head**, and the fat, in order upon the wood that *is* on the fire which *is* upon the altar: But his **inwards** and his **legs** shall he wash in water: and the priest shall burn all on the altar, *to be* a burnt sacrifice, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour...

The burnt offering – offered all / voluntary will / pictured Jesus Christ as offering and sacrifice accepted by God the Father as a Propitiation for sins = satisfy the wrath of holy God.

2 Corinthians 5:21 For he hath made **him to be sin for us**, who knew no 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...

Head, inwards, legs... Lev. 1:8-9 (above)

- Head – Knew no sin

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.

- Inward – In Him is no sin

1 John 3:5 And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin.

- Legs – Who did no sin

1 Peter 2:22 Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth:

Jesus – knew no sin, in Him is no sin, did no sin

2 Birds – Represent the Death & Resurrection of Jesus Christ

Leviticus 14:49 And he shall take to cleanse the house two birds, and cedar wood, and scarlet, and hyssop:

Leviticus 14:50 And he shall **kill the one of the birds** in an earthen vessel over running water:

Leviticus 14:51-53 And he shall take the **cedar wood, and the hyssop, and the scarlet, and the living bird**, and **dip them in the blood of the slain bird**, and in the running water, and sprinkle the house seven times: And he shall **cleanse the house with the blood of the bird**, and with the running water, and with the living bird, and with the cedar wood, and with the hyssop, and with the scarlet: But **he shall let go the living bird out of the city into the open fields, and make an atonement** for the house: and it shall be clean.

One bird killed represents the death of the Lord Jesus Christ

One bird alive represents the resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ – Made an atonement for our sins.

1 Corinthians 15:3-4 For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:

Romans 5:11 And not only *so*, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.

2 Goats – Represent Christ dying for us & our sins placed on Him

Leviticus 16:7 And he shall take the two goats, and present them before the LORD *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

- One was a scapegoat – killed

Leviticus 16:8-9 And Aaron shall cast lots upon the two goats; one lot for the LORD, and the other lot for the scapegoat. And Aaron shall bring the goat upon which the LORD'S lot fell, and offer him *for* a sin offering.

- One had sins placed on him -- to remember no more – God can forgive and forget

Leviticus 16:10 But the goat, on which the lot fell to be the scapegoat, shall be presented alive before the LORD, to make an atonement with him, *and* to let him go for a scapegoat into the wilderness.

Jesus died for your sins

Leviticus 16:11 And Aaron shall bring the bullock of the sin offering, which *is* for himself, and shall make an atonement for himself, and for his house, and shall kill the bullock of the sin offering which *is* for himself:

Your sins are carried away

Leviticus 16:21-22 And Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat, and confess over him all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions in all their sins, putting them upon the head of the goat, and shall send *him* away by the hand of a fit man into the wilderness: And the goat shall bear upon him all their iniquities unto a land not inhabited: and he shall let go the goat in the wilderness.

Where are the sins? Placed on the live goat – and carried away!

Psalms 103:12 As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us.

John 1:29 The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

Ephesians 5:2 And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour.

Hebrews 10:12 But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God;

Jesus Christ is Saviour of the World

Is He your personal Saviour?

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.

This is the message – for 2017 / for me / for you

Give your whole heart to Jesus Christ – Trust in His Blood

He will forgive you TODAY

Jesus Christ Gave All

TEXT: Ephesians 5:2 And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour.

TEXT: Isaiah 53:10-12 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. He shall see of the travail of his soul, *and* shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore will I divide him *a portion* with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Jesus Christ gave all. This is the 4th in a series on the offering and sacrifice for sins.

He gave Himself – means He GAVE ALL

Ephesians 5:2 And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath **given himself** for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour.

Galatians 1:4 Who **gave himself** for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father:

Galatians 2:20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and **gave himself** for me.

Ephesians 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and **gave himself** for it;

1 Timothy 2:6 Who **gave himself** a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.

Titus 2:14 Who **gave himself** for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

Why do you go to church? Today we will cover the most important aspect of church – the Offering and Sacrifice of Jesus Christ – **given Himself for us** - for you.

Are you forgiven? Jesus paid it all. There is nothing more He can do for you to be saved – the ball is in your court. Jesus gave all – you need to give all your heart to Him – for Bible salvation.

When the Bible says **He Gave Himself** – He Gave All - **Body, Soul & Spirit**

1. Gave All – He Gave Up His Body

Matthew 26:26 And as they were eating, Jesus **took bread, and blessed it, and brake it**, and gave *it* to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; **this is my body**.

Isaiah 53:3 He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were *our* faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Psalms 22:6-7 But I *am* a worm, and no man; a reproach of men, and despised of the people. All they that see me laugh me to scorn: they shoot out the lip, they shake the head, *saying*,

Mark 15:15 And so Pilate, willing to content the people, released Barabbas unto them, and delivered Jesus, when he had scourged *him*, to be crucified.

Matthew 27:29 And when they had platted a crown of thorns, they put *it* upon his head, and a reed in his right hand: and they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him, saying, Hail, King of the Jews!

Matthew 27:36 And sitting down they watched him there;

Mark 15:25 And it was the third hour, and they crucified him.

Psalms 22:14-15 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint: my heart is like wax; it is melted in the midst of my bowels. My strength is dried up like a potsherd; and my tongue cleaveth to my jaws; and thou hast brought me into the dust of death.

Others have given up their body – the two thieves on the cross also gave their body. The difference is 2-fold. 1) He was innocent – the sinless Son of God & 2) He gave more than His body – He gave His soul & spirit also.

2. Gave All – Gave with His Soul

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.

Isaiah 53:11 He shall see of **the travail of his soul**, *and* shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.

Isaiah 53:12 Therefore will I divide him *a portion* with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath **poured out his soul unto death**: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Isaiah 53:5-7 But he *was* wounded for our transgressions, *he was* bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace *was* upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. 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. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.

3. Gave His Spirit / Gave Up by God – His Spirit Was Forsaken By God the Father

Something unusual happened

Matthew 27:45 Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour.

Mark 15:33 And when the sixth hour was come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour.

Luke 23:44 And it was about the sixth hour, and there was a darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour.

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?

Mark 15:34 And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani? which is, being interpreted, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?

Matthew 27:51 And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the **earth did quake**, and the rocks rent;

The earthquake was not confined to Judea, but was felt in other countries. It is mentioned by Roman writers. *The rocks rent*. That is, were torn asunder. Rocks are still seen at Mount Calvary thus rent asunder, which are *said* to be the ones that were convulsed when the Saviour died. BARNES

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? For sins

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.

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;

Where is He now?

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;**

On His Throne – Intercessor / Judge / Coming King

To the Saved: Intercessor

Romans 8:34 Who *is* he that condemneth? *It is* Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.

To the Unsaved: Judge

Revelation 20:11-12 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is *the book* of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

Revelation 20:14-15 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

To Israel: Coming King

You are not Israel – so you are either saved or unsaved.

Cannot fool God. Is He your Savior / Intercessor or your Judge?

No need to stay unforgiven – Jesus paid it all – It is Finished – totality of sins paid for

Conclusion

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? MY SINS For Me!

Why? YOUR SINS For You!

Paid in full / Give your heart to Jesus Christ today to receive that payment

Jesus Gave All; We Should Give All

Jesus asks you to follow Him

Matthew 4:19 And he saith unto them, **Follow me**, and I will make you fishers of men.

Matthew 9:9 And as Jesus passed forth from thence, he saw a man, named Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he saith unto him, **Follow me**. And he arose, and followed him.

Matthew 16:24 Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any *man* will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and **follow me**.

Matthew 19:21 Jesus said unto him, If thou wilt be perfect, go *and* sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and **come and follow me**.

When Jesus said, "Follow me." There are some severe implications to this. **To follow Christ is:**

1) Give up your self-life and follow Jesus – it is a death to self

Matthew 16:24 Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any *man* will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

Luke 5:11 And when they had brought their ships to land, they forsook all, and followed him.

You want to come to Christ – it is a death to your self. What keeps people back from being saved? Drugs, immorality, pride, rebellion, lying, stealing... yes these maybe – but I believe the greatest reason people do not get saved --- self-will. You need to die to self.

Matthew 16:25 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it.

You save your life by self-will; you lose your life by death to self.

The end result – your eternal destiny is decided by this. Jesus asks you:

Matthew 16:26 For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

2) Willingly follow

Jesus never forces you / makes you / manipulates you

it is a still small voice – a tug on your heart. Want to know if God is speaking to you? Tug on your heart. Be quiet in your spirit – listen to God speak to you. It will either be a voice of

Need a Savior – sinful against a holy God or

Voice of Assurance – the blood of Jesus Christ has quieted the conscience

It is an evidence of salvation – you follow Christ

John 10:27 My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, **and they follow me**. Sheep just follow – it is what they do. Goats butt; sheep follow. Sheep follow without question.

3) Follow is from the heart – the feet are an outward evidence of inner decision

Matthew 9:9 And as Jesus passed forth from thence, he saw a man, named Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he saith unto him, Follow me. And he arose, and followed him.

Matthew – tax collector – an unsavory fellow. Rom. 3:10 / 3:23 / Eccl. 7:20

We are all unsavory people. If the thoughts and intents of your heart were exposed – you are exceedingly sinful before a holy God.

Jesus wants you – yes you. That which is keeping you back is not the desire of Jesus – it is you – your heart.

It is a heart issue – not what you say – what is in your heart.

Matthew 15:8 This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with *their* lips; but their heart is far from me.

4) Follow – is to leave behind all

Matthew 4:19 And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.

Peter was a fisherman – it was his life / when Jesus asks him to follow him – it was to end his self-life and follow lock, stock and barrel.

Luke 14:33 So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple.

Luke 18:22-23 Now when Jesus heard these things, he said unto him, Yet lackest thou one thing: sell all that thou hast, and distribute unto the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, follow me. And when he heard this, he was very sorrowful: for he was very rich.

5) Why it is a reasonable request from Jesus

He gave all for your sins. Your main problem – you have many problems. You worry about your problems. The main problem you have is YOUR SIN.

Jesus gave all He had. We just spent 4 weeks explaining the total offering and sacrifice for your sins. It is not unreasonable for Jesus Christ, Who gave all, to ask you to give all.

Conclusion – if you follow Christ, the end result is:

Psalms 23:6 Surely **goodness and mercy shall follow me** all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

For the HERE – goodness and mercy shall follow me

For the HEREAFTER – I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever

What's in it for me? The Best Life / Sins Forgiven / Heaven Forever / Holy Spirit Indwells

I have been saved 38 years – I am a satisfied believer – Turn to Christ and be saved

If You Neglect the One Sacrifice for Sins

Genesis 3:22-24 And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever: Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken. So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

Hebrews 10:26 For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,

We have just finished a 4-week series on the sacrifice and offering of Jesus Christ. Last week we preached that it is reasonable for us to give all to God because Jesus gave all. Today we will look at the result of ignoring God's perfect sacrifice.

God created Adam and Eve – they had 2 trees in the garden of Eden. 1) the tree of the knowledge of good and evil and 2) the tree of life.

If they had eaten of the tree of life – they would live forever in the state they were in.

After Adam and Eve had sinned, it was the mercy of God – Gen. 3:22-24 God feared lest they were to partake of the tree of life – as sinners – they would have been lost forever / forever stuck in the state as sinners against God – with no remedy.

So, God put Cherubim and a flaming sword – for their own good. 4,000 years later God sent His own Son as the one sacrifice for our sins – for our own good. What if you reject that sacrifice / what if you ignore that sacrifice. There is No Plan B -- Heb. 10:26

The Bible teaches that if one does not get born again, they will burn forever in hell. There is a temporary hell / Hades – which is in the heart of the earth – it is a holding place for the lost and there is an eternal Lake of Fire – whose location is unknown – it is the place souls of men and women will go to forever after the Great White Throne Judgment.

Hades is the county jail / Lake of Fire is the penitentiary

All will stand before God

Revelation 20:11-12 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is *the book of life*: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

Death (Body) and Hell (Soul) will unite before God

Revelation 20:13-14 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

Eternity in Hell – the Lake of Fire

Revelation 20:15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

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.

- **If hell is not real, heaven is not real**

Psalms 139:8 If I ascend up into heaven, thou *art* there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou *art there*.

John 5:29 And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.

- **If hell is not eternal, heaven is not eternal**

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

- **If hell is not real, Jesus lied**

Mark 9:43-47 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:

- **What Jesus said**

Matthew 13:42 And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

Matthew 13:50 And shall cast them into the furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

Matthew 22:13 Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast *him* into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Matthew 25:30 And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Luke 12:5 But I will forewarn you whom ye shall fear: Fear him, which after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell; yea, I say unto you, Fear him.

Matthew 23:33 Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?

Mark 16:16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

- **What the book of Revelation teaches**

Revelation 19:20 And the **beast was taken, and with him the false prophet** that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. **These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.**

The beast and the false prophet are there for 1000 years – then joined by the devil:

Revelation 20:10 And the **devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.**

The Mark of the Beast

Revelation 14:9 And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive *his* mark in his forehead, or in his hand,

Revelation 14:10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he **shall be tormented with fire and brimstone** in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:

Revelation 14:11 **And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night,** who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.

Revelation 20:15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

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.

- **What the Bible Teaches**

Jude 1:7 Even as Sodom and Gomorrhah, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

If I counted correctly, there are 38 Bible verses in this sermon. It is Bible.

There will be tears in heaven

Revelation 21:4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

Why – we just witnessed Rev. 20:11-15 – billions of people will have stood before God – all lost

When the body dies, the soul does not die nor cease consciousness

Soul will die. The 1st death is a physical death; the 2nd death is a death in hell:

Ezekiel 18:4 Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine: **the soul that sinneth, it shall die.**

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.**

2 Corinthians 13:5 Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?

Can you hear the pathos of Jesus Christ – pleading with you?

Matthew 23:37 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, *thou* that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under *her* wings, and **ye would not!**

He would say – How oft I would have saved your soul / I would have forgiven your sins... and ye would not.

No need to stay lost. Give your heart to Jesus Christ and trust His blood to pay for your sins. In your own words, pray and ask Jesus Christ to save and forgive you.

Price Paid & Our Response

Matthew 13:45-46 Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly pearls: Who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it.

Here is a man seeking – he knows pearls and finds one worth – giving up all for this one pearl of great price.

- **The pearl is found**
- **The pearl is costly**
- **He sells all he has / and is glad to do so**

This parable – a story with a moral to it – what is it about?

“Jesus Christ is a *Pearl of great price*, a Jewel of inestimable value, which will make those who have it rich, truly rich, rich toward God; in having him, we have enough to make us happy here and for ever.

A true Christian is a spiritual *merchant*, that seeks and finds this pearl of price; that does not take up with any thing short of an interest in Christ, and, as one that is resolved to be spiritually rich, trades high:

He went and bought that pearl; did not only bid for it, but purchased it. What will it avail us to know Christ, if we do not know him as ours?

Those who would have a saving interest in Christ, must be willing to part with all for him, leave all to follow him. Whatever stands in opposition to Christ, or in competition with him for our love and service, we must cheerfully quit it, though ever so dear to us.”

Matthew Henry Commentary

Pearl of Great Price

The price he paid – Jesus Gave All

Ephesians 1:7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;

Colossians 1:14 In whom we have redemption through his blood, *even* the forgiveness of sins:

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:

We Ought To Give Our All

Matthew 13:45-46 Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly pearls: Who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it.

All – give up all / give all your heart / leave all behind / sell all you have – not literally – in your heart

ILL Hot air balloon – strings holding it down – must cut every string

ILL Nestea Plunge – fall backward into water - - to sell out – all

ILL Baptism – a yielding of all / a helpless position / how can I be brought back up?

“Supernatural” effect of water (buoyancy) – buried with Christ, will be raised with him

Romans 6:3-4 Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

Romans 6:5 For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also *in the likeness of his* resurrection:

Examples of those who gave all

Peter & Andrew

Matthew 4:18-20 And Jesus, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers. And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men. And they **straightway left *their* nets, and followed him.**

Paul

Philippians 3:7-8 But what **things were gain to me, those I counted loss** for Christ. Yea doubtless, and I **count all things *but* loss** for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and **do count them *but* dung, that I may win Christ,**

Moses

Hebrews 11:24 By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter;

Hebrews 11:25-26 Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for he had respect unto the recompence of the reward.

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Are You Saved – Here is How this Applies to You Today

If you are saved – You are in Christ. Heaven is your home. You cannot get lost. You cannot lose your salvation. You cannot go to hell. You cannot die in your sins.

You can do 1 of 2 things – give all or hold back. It is worth it to give all. Giving your all to Jesus Christ is the best life.

John 10:10 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.

ILL Cedar Point - \$67

2 people go in – price is paid / It is a high price

1 sits on a park bench – plays it safe

1 goes on roller coaster

Who is happier? Roller coaster looks scary – it is – go up, oh, no – when ride is done, ready to go again.

Faith – step out by faith – scary – it is – oh, no – only Christians that have joy are those that exercise faith. Those who do not exercise faith are just not all that happy inside.

People want to seek happiness – on their own terms – the One Who created you knows how to make life the best life – it is to live by faith.

Saved by faith

Galatians 2:16 Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

Continue in Faith

Galatians 3:1-3 O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you? This only would I learn of you, Received ye the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? Are ye so foolish? having begun in the Spirit, are ye now made perfect by the flesh?

It is NOT your faith

Gal 2:20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh **I live by the faith of the Son of God**, who loved me, and gave himself for me

There is risk involved / but there is reward

No reward for one sits in Cedar Point and sits on park bench.

Sit on park bench – buy big hamburger, fries, chocolate shake –

Ride roller coaster – grab an old sandwich on the run

Who is happier?

Takers eat better, but givers sleep better

Those who live by faith have JOY – priceless

1 Peter 1:8 Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see *him* not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:

The risk

Psalms 107:23-25 They that go down to the sea in ships, that do business in great waters; These see the works of the LORD, and his wonders in the deep. For he commandeth, and raiseth the stormy wind, which lifteth up the waves thereof.

Psalms 107:26-27 They mount up to the heaven, they go down again to the depths: their soul is melted because of trouble. They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man, and are at their wits' end.

Psalms 107:28-29 Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, and he bringeth them out of their distresses. He maketh the storm a calm, so that the waves thereof are still.

Psalms 107:30 Then are they glad because they be quiet; so he bringeth them unto their desired haven.

Psalms 107:31 Oh that *men* would praise the LORD *for* his goodness, and *for* his wonderful works to the children of men!

The reward Let's do it again

2 Corinthians 12:9-10 And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.

ILL Both great price paid – Cedar Point – go home
How was your trip to Cedar Point? Who had most fun?

Both go home – John 14:1-3 – to heaven.
How was your life on earth?

The way to enjoy the Christian life is to allow the faith of the Son of God to live thru you.
You get out of the way –

Gal 2:20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh **I live by the faith of the Son of God**, who loved me, and gave himself for me

Shadows in the Bible

Hebrews 10:1 For the law having a shadow of good things to come, *and* not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect.

Colossians 2:16-17 Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath *days*: Which are a **shadow of things to come**; but **the body is of Christ**.

Shadow – They were only a dim outline of future things, not the reality / idea of a foreshadowing of the things of Christ / The law was but the shadow or representation of good things to come; none should rest in it; all that it pointed out is to be sought and obtained in Christ. / The law was a mere shadow of good things to come, and the sacrifices which were made under it could never render those who offered them perfect. This was conclusively proved by the fact that they continued constantly to be offered.

- **The Law having a shadow**

The O.T. and all its sacrifices, ordinances... are a shadow of good things to come

They were only a representative of the fulfillment. The O.T. is the N.T. concealed; the N.T. is the O.T. revealed.

Colossians 2:17 Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body *is* of Christ.

The shadow is pointing to the substance – that substance/body is Christ!

- **Of Good Things to Come**

Hebrews 9:11 But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building;

High Priest – offering blood sacrifice on Day of Atonement – one day / year TO COVER sins was a shadow of the Lord Jesus Christ offering His own blood as a once and for all sacrifice.

Hebrews 10:12 But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God;

Other shadows in the O.T.

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:

John 3:14-15 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

1 Corinthians 10:4 And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ.

- **And not the very image...**

These O.T. things were a pattern of a future thing. They were to show us “things to come.”

Hebrews 10:1 For the law having a shadow of good things to come, *and not the very image...*

However, Jesus Christ is... the very image of God the Father:

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;

Heb. 1:1-2 The Son (vs. 2) is the very image (vs.3) of God (vs.1).

2 Corinthians 4:4 In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of **Christ, who is the image of God**, should shine unto them.

Colossians 1:14-15 In whom we have redemption through his blood, *even* the forgiveness of sins: **Who is the image of the invisible God**, the firstborn of every creature:

John 14:8-9 Philip saith unto him, Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us. Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou *then*, Shew us the Father?

- **Can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect**

They offered year by year

Hebrews 10:3-4 But in those *sacrifices there is* a remembrance again *made* of sins every year. For *it is* not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins.

Hebrews 10:11 And every priest standeth daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins:

COMPARE year by year / once forever

Hebrews 10:12 But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God;

Never make the comers perfect

COMPARE - never make comers perfect / perfected forever

Hebrews 10:14 For by one offering **he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.**

Once you are saved, you will never need to be saved again:

John 4:14 But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.

John 6:35 And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.

John 1:29 The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which **taketh away the sin of the world.**

Hebrews 10:4 For *it is* not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins.

Not just cover our sins – covering our sins with blood of bulls and goats was a shadow – of good things to come – of the blood of Jesus Christ – take away sins – once for all – for ever!

Saved = Satisfied / Forgiven forever

Romans 4:3-5 For what saith the scripture? Abraham believed God, and it was counted unto him for righteousness. Now to him that worketh is the reward not reckoned of grace, but of debt. 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,

Romans 4:7-8 *Saying, Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered. Blessed is the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin.*

Colossians 2:16 Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath *days*:

The Sabbath days were shadow

Colossians 2:17 Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body *is* of Christ.

Sabbath – day of rest – no work

This was a shadow of good things to come. It was a shadow of salvation without works.

Romans 4:6 Even as David also describeth the blessedness of the man, unto whom God imputeth righteousness without works,

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

2 groups of people – those who believe / those who believe not

Heb. 4:2 those who believe not:

Hebrews 4:2-3 For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard *it*. For we which have believed do enter into rest, as he said, As I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest: although the works were finished from the foundation of the world.

Heb. 4:3 those who believe – have entered into REST

Those who believe not do not enter into that rest

Hebrews 4:6 Seeing therefore it remaineth that some must enter therein, and they to whom it was first preached entered not in because of unbelief:

Those who believe have entered into a REST – Sabbath – shadow of the REST to come

Hebrews 4:9-10 There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God. For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God *did* from his.

The shadows taught in the Bible are there to help us to understand. Perhaps today you now understand – what should be your response?

Hebrews 4:7 Again, he limiteth a certain day, saying in David, To day, after so long a time; as it is said, To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Give your whole heart to God – trust blood of Jesus Christ to be forgiven WITHOUT works

REST in His blood – without works!