

Salvation - Part III

The Savior

Over the past two weeks we have looked at sin and its penalty. Today we look at how Christ paid for our sins.

I. Who Christ Is

- A. He is God - John 1:1
- B. He was predestined to be the sacrifice for our sins - Revelation 13:8
- C. He was God incarnate
 - 1. Born of a virgin - Isaiah 7:14
 - a. This is important because Christ is not born with a sin nature
 - 2. He came down to man - John 1:14
 - 3. He humbled Himself - Philippians 2:6-8

II. Why Christ Could Die For Us

- A. Christ was sinless - I John 3:5
- B. Therefore, He is not subject to Sin's Death Penalty - Romans 6:23
 - 1. See also Hebrews 7:26-27
- C. God, as the offended party, set the requirement of the sacrifice
- D. Christ was the perfect, ultimate, and final sacrifice - I Peter 1:18-21

III. The Nature of Christ's Death

- A. It is vicarious (in our place) - Isaiah 63:5-6
- B. It is a propitiation (regains favor) - Romans 3:25
- C. It is a ransom (payment to free, as in a slave) - Matthew 20:28
- D. It satisfies God's demands - Isaiah 53:11
- E. It is an atonement (covering, makes amends) - Romans 5:11
- F. It reconciles us to God - Romans 5:10
- G. It justifies the sinner - Romans 5:9
- H. HE DIED FOR ALL - I John 2:2

IV. Christ's Resurrection and Ascension

- A. Without the Resurrection all is vain - I Corinthians 15:12-19
- B. It proves that God accepted Christ's payment for our sins - Romans 4:25
- C. It proves that we, too, have a future with God - I Corinthians 15:20-23

Next week: the Solution that brings Salvation