

We believe that the suffering and death of Jesus Christ was substitutionary for all mankind and is efficacious (effective) only to those who believe.

(Isa. 53:6; Heb. 2:9; 1 Peter 2:24; 3:18; 2 Peter 3:9; 1 John 2:2)

The doctrine of the substitutionary death of Jesus Christ on the Cross of Calvary is the heart of the gospel. The gospel is the good news 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”* (1 Corinthians 15:3-4).

THE BIBLE SETS FORTH THE DEATH OF JESUS IN A FOUR-FOLD WAY.

1.) THE DEATH OF JESUS IS SET FORTH AS A _____ . *Matthew 20:28*

The word _____ means “to deliver by _____ ; to pay the price for which the person is held in captivity.” So sin is like a slave market in which sinners are “sold under sin” (Romans 7:14) and under the sentence of death (Ezekiel 18:4).

By His sacrificial and substitutionary death in the shedding of His precious blood at Calvary, Jesus Christ offers sinners _____ from the bondage and penalty of sin.

Jesus sets the _____ by paying a price – that price being His own precious blood (1 Peter 1:18-20).

2.) THE DEATH OF JESUS IS SET FORTH AS A _____ . *Romans 3:24-25*

The holiness of God demands _____ for man’s sin. (*Romans 3:23*)

Because of God’s love for sinful mankind, he sent His Son to die in _____ for our sins at bloody Calvary. (*Romans 5:8*)

Propitiation means “atoning sacrifice,” “to _____ by a sacrifice,” “mercy,” “place of atonement.”

1 John 2:2, “And he (Jesus) is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.”

The grace and mercy of God is _____ in the substitutionary death of Jesus Christ at Calvary.

3.) THE DEATH OF JESUS IS SET FORTH AS A _____ . *Colossians 1:20; Romans 5:10*

When a person believes on the Lord Jesus Christ, he is _____ to God by the death of His Son.

Reconciliation is the removal of _____ that stands between people and God.

4.) THE DEATH OF JESUS IS SET FORTH AS A _____ .

(2 Corinthians 5:21; 1 Peter 3:18; Hebrews 2:9)

The meaning of substitution is that Jesus was absolutely sinless, became sin for us, died _____ and voluntarily in our place, bore our sins, paid the penalty for our sins in His own precious shed blood at Calvary. Jesus died in our place at Calvary.

Jesus experienced _____ of hell for _____ the sin of _____ the people of _____ the world for _____ of time.

Jesus Christ bore our sins in His own _____ on the Cross. (1 Peter 2:24; Isaiah 53:5-6)

On the Cross, Jesus Christ, the substitutionary sacrifice for sin, is the _____ ONE
(1 Timothy 3:16)

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(John 15:13)

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(John 1:29)

On the Cross, Jesus Christ, the substitutionary sacrifice for sin, is the _____ ONE.
(Ephesians 2:4)

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THE SUBSTITUTIONARY DEATH OF JESUS IS:

I. THE MEANS OF _____!
(1 Peter 3:18; 1 Corinthians 1:18)

Jesus is the _____ _____ to heaven! (John 14:6; Acts 4:12)

Salvation is in the _____ of the Son of God, the Lord Jesus Christ. (Acts 16:31)

II. THE MARK OF _____! (Galatians 6:14; 2 Corinthians 5:15)

III. THE MOTIVE OF _____! (Galatians 6:17)

LIFE APPLICATION

Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree ...

We did not understand most of the details, but we knew David had messed up big time. Somewhere along the string of circumstances was a mixture of ignorance, immaturity, poor decision-making, and unplanned circumstances. But what initially started it all was he had disobeyed his parents. Weeks later, David was still riding to school with his father clearly in the driver's seat. You would think the embarrassment would have been punishment enough for this high school student.

Years later, I found out what punishment his dad had really implemented. After David had brought humiliation on the family, wrecked the car, inflicted noticeable injuries on him and his passenger, he then later realized he had gotten the girl pregnant also. Finally, the whole string of events had to be dealt with. David's dad walked into David's bedroom one evening with hurt in his eyes and carrying a big switch. The fear in David's eyes quickly filled with tears. But it was the next event that hurt David the most. David's dad took off his own shirt, gave David the switch, laid across David's bed, and told David to make him bleed. "You could beat me a hundred times if you want, David, and it would not compare to the hurt I am dealing with now," said his father.

God's hurt and pain for mankind, covered by a love that we cannot fully understand, lead God Himself to stretch out before all creation and take on a whipping that only we deserved.

... by whose stripes ye were healed. 1 Peter 2:24

This week's call to action is small in comparison to the story you just read, but here's the assignment. Could you put yourself in someone's place this week? Visualize walking in their shoes? What makes them hurt? What makes them do what they do?

This may hurt you a little, but could you forgive them, pray for them, make an effort to minister to them in some small way?