

THE MARKS OF MOUNT CALVARY



Sunday, April 16, 2017

CHRIST'S EXTRAVAGANT SACRIFICE AT CALVARY

A QUIET COMMITMENT:

- QUIET your mind and soul before the LORD — *“Be still, and know that I am God”* (Psalm 46:10)
- COMMIT to obedience: *Commit* to doing whatever God will say to you in this message — *“to obey is better than sacrifice”* (1 Samuel 15:22)

Christ’s sacrifice was marked by selfless, extravagant love. This sacrifice was costly for Christ, but freely offered to you and me. Christ’s sacrifice was an extravagant gift so excessive in the eyes of creation, yet sufficient in the eyes of our Creator.

I. A Debt of MY Sin

A. God’s _____ Stick – the Law (James 2:10)

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.

B. Insufficient _____ – our weakness (Romans 3:23)

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

C. The _____ for sin – Death (Romans 6:23a)

Death is _____.

II. The Payment of Love

1 John 4:9-10 In this was manifested the love of **God** toward us, because that **God** sent **His** only begotten **Son** into the world, that we might live through **Him**. Herein is love, not that we loved **God**, but that **He** loved us, and sent **His Son** to be the propitiation (*the atoning sacrifice*) for our sins.

A. A _____ Sacrifice (2 Corinthians 5:21)

Isaiah 53:6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way; and the **LORD** hath laid on **Him** the iniquity of us all.

1 Peter 3:18 For **Christ** also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that **He** might bring us to **God**, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the **Spirit**:

B. A _____ Sacrifice (Romans 5:8)

John 15:13 Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

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.

C. A _____ Sacrifice (2 Corinthians 3:5)

1 John 2:2 And **He** is the propitiation [*appeasing sacrifice*] for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for *the sins of* the whole world.

John 10:17-18 “Therefore doth **My Father** love **Me**, because I lay down **My** life, that I might take it again. **18** “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**.”

1 John 5:11-13 And this is the record, that **God** hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in **His Son**. **12** He that hath the **Son** hath life; *and* he that hath not the **Son of God** hath not life. **13** These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the **Son of God**; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the **Son of God**.

What is my next step?

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